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Court House of the Tribunal
War Ministry Building
Tokyo, Japan 6 The Tribunal met, pursuant to adjournment, 9 at 0930. 10 11 Appearances: For the Tribunal, same as before with 12 the exception of: HONORABLE JUSTICE D. JARANIILA, 13 Member from the Republic of the Philippines, not 14 15 sitting. For the Prosecution Section, same as before. 16 17 For the Defense Section, same as before. 18 The Accused: 19 All present except OKAWA, Shumei, who is 20 represented by his counsel. 21 22 (English to Japanese and Japanese 23 to English interpretation was made by the 24 Language Section, IMTFE.) 25

Wolf & Yelden.

MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International
Military Tribunal for the Far East is now in session.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Lopez.

MR. LOPEZ: If the President please, we request that SUZUKI, Tadakatsu, be brought in and put on the witness stand to identify IPS document 2782.

THE PRESIDENT: If he is merely to produce a document it is not necessary to swear him.

MR. LOPEZ: It is only for that purpose.

THE PRESIDENT: For the production he need not be sworn. All this man is to do is to produce the document, is that so?

MR. LOPEZ: Yes, sir; and testify, your Honor.

THE PRESIDENT: That is another matter.

Swear him in.

SUZUKI, TADAKATSU, called as a
witness on behalf of the prosecution, having
first been duly sworn, testified through
Japanese interpreters as follows:

MR. LOPEZ: If your Honor please.

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. LOPEZ:

- Q Please give us your full name.
- A SUZUKI, Tadakatsu.
- Q I show you IPS document No. 2782 and ask you to state if you are familiar with it?

A With regard to the contents of this affidavit I should like to be permitted to mention three points which I feel may be misleading. First of all, I should like to make clear the name of the office over which I presided. This is called the "Foreign National Section" but the correct name of the bureau over which I presided was the "Bureau in Charge of Japanese Nationals in Enemy Countries." The second point is as to how the notes of protest sent by the Minister of the Swiss Government to the Foreign Office were handled by us. It is said that copies and translation of it were sent to the War Ministry and other sections concerned. With respect to the other sections concerned, in other

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words, "the Vice Minister of War, the Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau, and the Chief of the Prisoner-of-War Information Bureau," it says, "'and' the Chief of the Prisoner-of-War Information Bureau," but I feel it would be more accurate to say, "'or' the Chief of the Prisoner-of-War Information Bureau." Third and last point, it is stated in the affidavit that I examined IPS documents 10-B and on, numbering twenty. As a matter of fact, nine of the documents from 10-B on were handled before my office was formed. It is accurate to say that outside of the replies sent by the Foreign Office the nine documents were received by the Foreign Office. THE PRESIDENT: We would have a better

appreciation of what the witness is saying if we knew what the affidavit contains. This explanation seems to be premature. You had better take charge of him, Mr. Lopez.

Aside from these corrections you have stated, do you have any other corrections to make on document 2782, your affidavit?

I had intended to make one more remark with respect to the third point but I feel that that is now unnecessary.

MR. LOPEZ: At this juncture we offer in

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evidence IPS document No. 2782, identified by the witness, Tadakatsu SUZUKI as his, subject to the corrections just stated, your Honor.

THE PRESIDENT: Is that your affidavit?

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 2782 will receive exhibit No. 1489.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1489 and received in evidence.)

MR. LOPEZ: We read the afficavit in its entirety, subject to the corrections made by the witness, at this time.

THE PRESIDENT: Yes.

MR. LOPEZ: (Reading) "I, SUZUKI, Tadakatsu, make oath and say as follows:

"Q State your name, age, and residence.

"A SUZUKI, Tadakatsu, 51 years of age, residing at Yokohama.

"Q When war broke out what position did you hold with the government of Japan?

"A I was Minister Plenipotentiary in Egypt since 1940. I came home to Japan on an exchange ship in August of 1942 and in December of 1942 I was

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made chief of the Foreign National Section of the Foreign Office.

"Q Until what time did you hold that office?

"A Until July of 1945.

"Q During your incumbency were you familiar with American notes protesting against mistreatments of American prisoners—of-war and civilians in the Philippines which were coursed through the Swiss Legation?

"A Yes.

"Q Throughout your incumbency what was the practice of your office once those protests were received?

"A The notes were received either in French or English and were translated into Japanese. A copy of the note with its Japanese translation was sometimes addressed to the Minister of War, the Vice Minister of War, the Military Affairs Bureau, or the Prisoner-of-War Information Bureau, depending on the importance and also the contents of the note.

Nevertheless we furnished copies, together with their translations, to the other sections concerned of the War Ministry (the Vice Minister of War, the Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau, and the Chief of the Prisoner-of-War Information Bureau). In

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sending those notes, together with their translation, we accompanied them with a covering note which was either a simple note in itself, or accompanied by our own comments or recommendations.

"Q Please examine these U.S. State Department notes marked as IPS Documents 10-B through 10-X, inclusive (excepting 10-0), and tell us if they have been received by the Foreign Office in Japan through the intervention of the Swiss Legation.

"A Yes, they were received by the Foreign
Office in the routine procedure of forwarding them
to the different departments of our government."

That is all for the witness.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Logan.

MR. LOGAN: If the Tribunal please.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. LOGAN:

Q Mr. SUZUKI, what was the exact date that you became chief of this bureau?

A I think it was the first of December, 1942.

9 So that, Mr. SUZUKI, you do not know what procedure was followed in that section with respect to these protests prior to December 1, 1942, is that so?

A Not directly as to how it was handled.

O Do you know of your own personal knowledge. whether prosecution's exhibits 1468 through 1476, which were the document numbers 10-B through 10-J, were forwarded to any of these bureaus mentioned in your affidavit?

A On that point, as Director of the Bureau in Charge of Japanese Nationals in Enemy Countries, I handled previous communications according to the procedure established before my time and, therefore, I am familiar with that procedure indirectly and transmitted these to the War Office.

Q While you may know about it indirectly you do not know of your own knowledge which of these locuments or if any of them which I have just named were sent to any of these other bureaus, isn't that true?

A In order to clarify my previous answer I wish to state that I myself made certain of this matter at the Foreign Office myself -- took steps to make certain of this matter at the Foreign Office.

Q Well, in your affidavit you say that copies
of these notes with Japanese translations were sometimes addressed to these other bureaus. Now, let us
take the first one, exhibit 1468. That is document
10-B, dated December 18, 1941. Can you tell us which

of those bureaus mentioned in your affidavit --

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A I cannot reply concretely saying which document was sent to which bureau or section.

that a copy of that document, a Japanese translation,

9 That is with respect to all those documents prior to December 1, 1942, isn't that correct?

A Yos, with respect to all twenty documents.

Q That is even including those after December 1, 1942?

A Unfortunately, I cannot state here where a particular document was sent.

Q Do I understand, Mr. SUZUKI, that all these documents after you made translations and copies of them were addressed to the Prisoner-of-War Information Bureau?

A Before replying I should like to explain that in my affidavit I state that when a protest was received by the Japanese Government -- by the Foreign Office -- I would like to explain how these notes were handled -- the procedure in which these notes were handled before they were sent to various other sections concerned.

Q All right, before we get into that, Mr. SUZUKI, is it not a fact that you, of your own

knowledge, do not know how they were handled prior 1 to December 1, 1942? A . Yes. Now, let us take from December 1 on. You 4 received in your office one of these protests, right? 5 (No reply). A Did you say yes? A Yos. 8 O . Then after receiving the protests you made 9 translations and copies, is that right? 10 A Yes. 11 It was part of your duties to send these 12 protests somewhere, is that correct? 13 14 Yes. A Is it a fact that on each one of these, 15 16 from exhibit 1477 through 1487, that they were 17 addressed to the Prisoner-of-War Information Bureau? 18 I do not think all were addressed to the 19 Chief of the Prisoner-of-War Information Bureau. .20 Who determined then to whom they should be 0 21 addressed? 22 Generally I did. A 23 On what did you base that determination? 0 24 Generally, on the basis of the contents and

the nature and importance of the protest.

Q "ell, let us take the first one after you assumed office. 1477 is the prosecution's exhibit number, document 10-K dated December 12, 1942.

THE PRESIDENT: Did you base it on the practice before your time?

WITNESS: Yes, that is a fact.

(Paper handed to witness.)

Q Will you tell us, Mr. SUZUKI, to whom you addressed that document?

A This document I think was sent by the United States Government to the United States Minister in Switzerland, and was transmitted to the foreign office in Tokyo by the Swiss Minister. I regret very much that I do not have the document here.

BY THE PRESIDENT:

Q How did you familiarize yourself with the previous practice?

A It is because when this office was established I had in this office as my colleagues and collaborators those who were familiar with the procedure before within the foreign office.

Q Did you look up any documents yourself?

A "hat kind of documents are you referring to, your Honor?

Q The documents which showed the previous

practice.

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A Yes, I have seen such a document.

Q You may be able to answer these categorical questions which have been drafted by a colleague--

IP. LOGAN: If the Tribunal please, may I. finish my eross-examination first?

THE PRESIDENT: Not necessarily. The Bench frequently asks questions during a cross-examination.

I am not departing from any practice.

Q Answer these questions, Witness, if you can.
In 1941 when copies of documents were forwarded to
another department, was a note kept in the foreign
office recording that fact?

A Yas, I think so.

Q Have you looked up the foreign office records for 1941 about this matter?

A Yes. At that time.

Q Do these records state that copies of the documents were forwarded to other departments?

A Yes, they do.

THE PRESIDENT: Well, now, we as't that such records be produced so far as they relate to documents 10-B to 10-X.

MR. LOPEZ: If the Tribunal please, we will make the necessary effort to have them produced here.

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THE PRESIDENT: New, Mr. Logan, you may ask any questions that are relevant.

CROSS-E AMINATION (Continued)

BY MP . LOGAN:

Q Do you have such documents available, Mr. SUZU.I?

A I think that could be done. However, I cannot say so positively unless it has been confirmed once.

Q Now, let us take this document exhibit 1477, prosecution's document 10-K, dated D cember 12, 1942. To whom was that document addressed when you sent it from your office?

A As I said before, I regret very much to say that I cannot say accurately at this time from memory as to where this particular document was sent, and I cannot positively say whether this was sent to the chief of the Prisoner of War Information Eureau. It may have been, but I cannot say positively.

Q In other words, as I understand your affidavit and your testimony here, Mr. SUZUKI, you cannot say definitely which of these documents, 1477 and 1487, were sent to which bureau of these bureaus mentioned, or any of them, is that correct?

A Generally speaking I think it could be said that these documents were sent to the chief of the

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Prisoners of "ar Information Bureau. I can recall definitely that document 10-N was sent to some other section. As to the others it may have been to the Vice-Minister of War, or the chief of the Prisoners of War Information Bureau.

Q Now, on what did you base your determination to which of these bureaus these notes should be sent?

A As I said before, they were based on the importance as well as the nature of the contents of these protests. Perhaps I might make this clear if I should add the following explanation as to questions of procedure: Generally with respect to the treatment of prisoners of war, documents related to the matter were sent to the chief of the Prisoners of War Information Bureau, and a cony thereof to the chief of the Military Affairs Bureau, War Office, and, generally speaking, it was a matter of custom to send any document relative to general policy or aims to the chief of the Military Affairs Bureau of the War Office. This may go a little bit into detail, but in order to speed up the routine business, it was requested from the War Office that the documents be sent to the chiefs of the bureaus and sections and not to higher levels than that. And, therefore, important documents were sent to the chief of the Prisoners of War

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Information Eureau and the chief of the Lilitary
Affairs Bureau except in the case of very important
documents.

Q In other tords, Mr. SUZUKI, you took the protest, or the copy that you made, and you actually wrote on that copy: "Prisoner of War Information Bureau," is that correct?

A The translations and copies were made and were attached to a covering note and sent.

Q To whom was that covering note addressed?

A Yes. This covering note was attached to what I have just referred to as the chief of the Prisoner of War Information Bureau, and/or the chief of the Military Affairs Bureau.

Q Was there an address on this covering note to each of these bureaus, or did the one address appear on both of them?

A They were addressed separately.

Q What type of notes did you attach to these documents?

THE FRESIDEAT: If that extends to contents, the notes should be produced.

Mi. LOGAN: It does, your Honor.

THE FRESIDENT: Well, we will expect the notes themselves to be produced if available.

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Q Could you tell us generally what comments you made in these notes or what recommendations?

A With respect to that point I cannot recall each case, but I think that recommendations and comments were made with a view to improving the treatment of prisoners of war.

Q With respect to all of these documents, 1477, after December 1st-1487, I understand your testimony that you cannot tell us definitely whether all, or which of these were sent first to the Minister of War, second the Vice Minister of War, third the Military Affairs Bureau, and fourth the Prisoner of War Information Bureau. Is that understanding correct?

THE PRESIDENT: The absence of the notes does not restrict your rights of cross-examination.

Nevertheless, Mr. Logan, cross-examination may be more effective after we have seen the notes, and you might postpone it until then.

MR. LOGAN: We concur, your Honor.

THE PRESIDENT: The witness can stand down for the time being. He will be recalled for further cross-examination. The witness will understand that he must come back for further cross-examination when notified. He is at liberty to leave the court.

(Whereupon, the witness was excused.)

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Lopez.

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Mr. LOPEZ: If the Tribunal please, we decided to announce that IPS documents No. 2696, 2687 and 2687, copies of which have already been circulated to the defense, will subsequently be introduced in evidence by Mr. Justice Mansfield in view of the fact that those documents involve class B offenses in general, of which Mr. Justice Mansfield is in charge of the proving in this court.

If your Honor please, earlier in this proceedings we offered to be marked only for the purpose of identification document 2035 increase of offering it in evidence, believing at the time that hufina Mercade, the little Filipino girl about whom British War Correspondent, Mr. Keys, made reference in his testimony, was on her way to Tokyo, together with other Philippine witnesses who were to testify in this court, Notwithstanding the fact that about a week ago I received a cable from Legal Section, SCAP, Manila Branch, that those witnesses had already left Manila, up to the present time they have not yet arrived here. We have decided to forego the presentation of those witnesses, and we, therefore, offer in evidence IPS document No. 2735, which is already marked exhibit 1420 for identification.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF The COURT: Prosecution's document No. 2735 which was offered for identification only on 11 December 1946 and given exhibit No. 1420 is now admitted according to the order of the Court.

(Whereupon, prosecution's exhibit No.

1420 was received in evidence.)

THE PRESIDENT: Can you offer any explanation for the failure of these proposed witnesses to arrive in Tokyo?

MR. LOPEZ: It must either be due to the fact, your Honor, that they did not have any winter clothing, as most Filipinos merely wear summer clothes throughout the year, or it may be due to the typhoon, bad weather conditions prevailing.

THE PRESIDENT: You should be able to tell us why they are not here, and we should ask you to tell us, too.

LK. LOPEZ: Since then, your Honor, we have not received any word from Manila, notwithstanding the fact that we have been wiring them.

THE PRESIDENT: Proceed with your affidavit. MR. LOPEZ: We read from that document the following: Page 1, the first question, through to the end of the second paragraph of page 2:

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"Q (By Major Kerr) Will you state your name, please? "A Henry Keys; K-e-y-s. "Q Your age? "A 35. What is your home address: "A I haven't got a home address, but my military 8 address at present is care of AFWESPAC, Public Rela-9 tions, APO 707. 10 "Q What is your occupation, Mr. Keys? 11 "A Correspondent. 12 "Q For what newspaper or newspapers? 13 "A London Daily Express. 14 "Q how long have you followed that occupation? 15 "A I have been about 15 years a correspondent, 16 the last four years a war correspondent. 17 "Q Did you come into Manila with the American 18 troops in February, 1945? 19 "A Yes. 20 "Q Did you enter the Intramuros area with those 21 troops? 22 "A Yes. On February 23rd in the afternoon when 23 they put up a foot bridge I walked over it. 24 "Q Please describe to the Commission what you 25 observed within the Intramuros area at the time you

entered it.

"A Crossing the foot bridge to the steps of
the mint I saw hundreds of refugees from Intramuros.
They were ragged. Some of them were very shell-shocked.
Many of them bore various wounds. Some, I don't doubt,
were from shells. There were many others, however,
who had masks over their faces, and they bore what
I could recognize as bayonet wounds and some were
saber cuts. Others were very emaciated, starved, skin
just hanging to their arms. There weren't enough
litters to go around.

"I met a Lieutenant who said 'Come along to the St. Augustine Convent if you really want to see something.' So I followed him and some Chinese litter bearers upon a narrow street which was heavily mined. The Lieutenant stepped backward and forward carefully and we stepped through the mines and then I went into the courtyard of the St. Augustine Convent. There was a statue -- I forget what statue it was, but there was a statue that had been battered and around it built up on chairs and other pieces of furniture were some crazy shelters made roughly of corrugated iron. They were about waist-high. I knelt down and I looked inside and the first thing I saw was a dead girl. One of her feet was crushed to pulp and her

mouth was broken and a lot of blood had come from it.

"From there I went over behind the statue into the column verands of the convent, and on my right I saw a body of a little boy in a kneeling, crouching position with a bullet hold through the base of the skull. It was quite definitely a bullet hole. Then I looked to the left and it took me some time to realize what it was, but it was a pile of bodies just thrown carelessly together, more or less, I suppose, to get them cut of the way and in one place. And they were covered with a fine gray ash and a lot of dust."

Page 3, the 3rd paragraph through the remainder of the page:

"You see, there weren't enough medics or anybody around with any experience to do anything for these people, - - - other than to give them what a little relief was possible with virtually nothing.

"Q Excuse me. Was that an American Lieutenant? "A Yes. They were all Americans.

"Then a little bit to the right of her there was another doorway and I went inside there. It seemed like a room which might have been a meeting room or a living room. It was in a pretty bad shape. And just to the left of that there seemed to be a kitchen, but in this living room section was a beautiful

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Filipino girl lying on her back and a soldier called me over and he said 'Look at this!' He said 'She told us that a Jap hacked her feet off', and he lifted a blanket that was lying over her feet. Her feet had been cut off and the stumps tied with what I took to be handkerchiefs.

"I didn't feel very good at that and I didn't look very long. And lying almost feet to feet with, her was a Japanese soldier. He was the only decent, whole piece of humanity in the place; the only clean piece of humanity. He was dressed in a white singlet on the shirt and some pants. He was lying there like an animal and I was told that he had been there some weeks, having been brought in when he was ill and cared for by the nuns."

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Page 4, the last two questions and answers:

"Q I believe you stated that many of the bodies which you saw bore bayonet wounds; is that correct?

"A That is correct.

"Q And were these bodies which you referred to those of civilians?

"A They were all civilians. And I might mention that I only saw one man in this particular convent courtyard. There may have been others, but I didn't expect to see others. I was surprised to see him."

Page 4, paragraph 3:

"Well, that was practically all that I recall vividly of the St. Augustine Convent except that when I went out to the gate I saw some Chinese litter bearers and I asked them to go into the convent and get this girl with her feet cut off. They did. And they passed me at the gate, and as they carried her out head first on the litter, shoulder high, she lifted her left hand with a 'V' sign -- a very affective sight!"

With this, if the Tribunal please, we close the Philippine case.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Higgins.

MR. HIGGINS: Mr. President and Members of the Tribunal:

Mr. Justice Mansfield, associate prosecutor from the Commonwealth of Australia, will now present that phase of the prosecution's case which deals with Class B offenses.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Logan.

MR. LOGAN: If the Tribunal please, before
Mr. Justice Mansfield reads his opening statement, the
defense wants to object to the first section of it,
which is merely a summation of what has been introduced
in evidence by the Philippine prosecutor; that it
contains conclusions and arguments and, in addition,
sets forth who is responsible for certain acts contained
in the statement. We also claim it is unfair in that
it brings to the Tribunal's attention a comparison
between American prisoners of war of the Japanese and
prisoners of war of Germany and Italy, where it is well
known conditions are entirely different and the length
of time that the prisoners of war were in the hands
of the enemy in both of those instances.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Levin.

MR. LEVIN: Mr. President, I wish to object specially on behalf of the defendant SUZUKI, Teiichi, with reference to the statement made in the last portion

of the second paragraph on page 10. The same is a conclusion and argumentative; and while I cannot ask that it be stricken, I ask that it be disregarded by the Tribunal.

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THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Cunningham.

MR. CUNNINGHAM: If your Honor please, before Mr. Justice Lansfield presented his two witnesses in this phase of the case out of order, an objection was made in general to the receipt of evidence in the atrocity phase for several reasons. I should like to renew those objections now, with the additional objection that no evidence be received in this phase of the case concerning matters which were investigated and prosecuted by the War Crime's Commission of the United Nations through their Far Lastern Committee in Australia.

I presume your Honor has in mind the objections which I proposed on geographical location, on the matter concerning conspiracy, concerning atrocities, on the matter of prior conviction for offenses charged under the counts 53, 54 and 55. And the last one, that the defendant OSHIMA was in the European theater at the time all of the acts complained of in these counts were committed.

THE PRESIDENT: Some of those objections have been dealt with and the Court adheres to its decision on them. Other objections will be dealt

with after we hear Mr. Justice Mansfield's opening. So far we know nothing about it.

Mr. Justice Mansfield.

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please: This phase of the prosecution case covers offences under Article 5(b) of the Charter, that is violations of the laws and customs of war, and comprises evidence of atrocities against prisoners of war, civilian internees and inhabitants of occupied territories, and evidence showing the responsibility for such atrocities of the defendants named in Counts 53, 54 and 55 of the Indictment.

Evidence of strocities in China and the Philippine Islands has already been presented.

That which will now be presented will relate to other areas.

The phase has been divided into five parts, namely:

- Evidence of Japanese assurances in relation to International Conventions.
- II. Evidence of the commission of atrocities by Japanese forces.
- III. Lvidence of protests made to the Japanese government and of the replies

thereto.

- IV. Official reports concerning the treatment of prisoners of war made by the Japanese government since 3 September 1945.
- V. Evidence of the acts of said defendants and of their subordinates which demonstrate their responsibility for the breaches of the laws of war.

THE PRESIDENT: This is a convenient break, Mr. Justice Mansfield. We will recess for fifteen minutes.

> (Whereupon, at 1040, a recess was taken until 1100, after which the proceedings were resumed as follows:)

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MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International Military Tribunal for the Far East is now resumed.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Justice Mansfield.

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: Continuing the opening address.

I. Evidence of Japanese assurances in relation to International Conventions.

Geneva Red Cross Convention of 27 July 1929.

Japan was a party to this Convention and duly ratified it. Furthermore, in a letter of 29 January 1942 signed by TOGO, Shigenori, as Foreign Minister on behalf of Japan and addressed to the Swiss Minister in Tokyo, (prosecution document No. 1469-D), Japan agreed strictly to observe the Geneva Convention of 27 July 1929 relative to the Red Cross as a signatory of that Convention.

Geneva Prisoner of War Convention of 27 July 1929.

Japan signed but did not ratify this Convention. However, in the above-mentioned communication of 29 January 1942 it was also stated that, although not bound by the Convention relative to the treatment of prisoners of war, Japan would apply <u>mutatis mutandis</u> the provisions of that Convention to American prisoners of war.

In a letter of 13 February, 1942, signed by TOGO as Foreign Minister and addressed to the Swiss Minister in Tokyo (prosecution document No. 1469-B), it was stated that the Japanese Government would apply for the duration of the war, under conditions of reciprocity, the provisions of the Convention relative to the treatment of prisoners of wer of 27 July 1929, to enemy civilian internees, in so far as they were applicable, and provided that they were not made to work without their consent. In a letter of 20 February 1942, signed by the Swiss Minister on behalf of the Government of the United States of America and addressed to TOGO, Shigenori (prosecution document No. 1469-C), it was stated that the Government of the United States of America had been informed that the Japanese Government had agreed, as far as the treatment to be accorded to British prisoners of war, to take into consideration as to food and clothing the national and racial customs of the prisoners. The Government of the United States of America had requested the Swiss Government to bring to the notice of the Japanese Government that it would be bound by the same principle for prisoners of wer as for Japanese civil internees in conformity with Articles 11 and 12 of the Geneva Convention.

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This letter was replied to by TOGO, Shigenori,

it was stated that the Imperial Government had not ratified the Convention relative to the treatment of prisoners of war of 27 July 1929. It was, therefore, not bound by the said Convention. However, it would apply <u>mutatis mutandis</u> the provisions of the said Convention to English, Canadian, Australian and New Zealand prisoners of war in its hands. As to the provisions of food and clothing for prisoners of war, it would consider on conditions of reciprocity the national and racial customs of the prisoners.

Similar assurances were given by Japan as to the treatment which would be accorded to Netherlands prisoners of war and civilian internees.

The manner in which these assurances were observed by the Japanese Government will be seen by the evidence which will be produced.

II. Evidence of the Commission of Atrocities by Japanese Forces.

It will be impossible in any reasonable length of time to put before the Tribunal detailed evidence of all the offenses committed by the Japanese against the recognized laws and customs of war, and, therefore, a method has been devised which will be relatively short and which will not omit any important matter. In order to present the evidence in a manner which may be

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easily followed, it has been classified by areas, and in each area it will be shown that the mistreatment of prisoners of war, civilian internees and native

inhabitants was similar. This similarity of treatment throughout the territories occupied by the Japanese forces will, it is submitted, leed to the conclusion that such mistreatment was the result not of the independent acts of the individual Japanese Commanders and soldiers, but of the general policy of the Japanese forces and of the Japanese Government.

The areas into which the subject has been divided are as follows:

1. Singapore and Malaya; 2. Burma and Thailand;
3. Hong Kong; 4. Formosa; 5. Hainan; 6. Andamans and
Nicobars; 7. Java; 8. Borneo; 9. Sumatra and Banka
Island; 10. Celebes; 11. Ambon; 12. Timor; 13. New
Guinea; 14. New Britain; 15. Solomons, Gilberts. Nauru
and Ocean Islands; 16. Other Pacific Islands; 17. Indo
China; 18. China other than Hong Kong; 19. Sea transportation; 20. Japan; 21. atrocities at sea.

The evidence will show that in every area the laws of war, in so far as they relate to prisoners of war, civilian internees and native inhabitants of occupied countries, were entirely disregarded by the Japanese forces. This was in accordance with the policy which was declared on many occasions by the Japanese that the Japanese Government would treat prisoners of war according to their own code of "Bushido"

and only apply such portions of the Geneva Convention as suited it to apply, and that prisoners of war had no rights whatever.

It will be shown that not only did the Japanese fail to carry out their assurance that in the matter of food and clothing they would take into consideration the national and racial customs of the prisoners, but also that they disregarded the elementary considerations of humanity.

It will be shown that prior to and at the time of the British capitulation at Singapore, in 1942, many massacres and murders in breach of the laws of war took place. Medical personnel and patients in hospitals were killed in cold blood; wounded men who had surrendered were executed; and unarmed prisoners of war were mercilessly shot, bayoneted or decapitated. It cannot be contended that the Japanese forces responsible for these outrages were out of the control of their superior officers. Many of the atrocities were committed either at the direction or with the knowledge of the commanding officers.

The chronicle of murder and mistreatment in every area will indicate the pattern of warfare used by the Japanese Government and Army and will describe inter alia the massacre of 5,000 Chinese and the brutal

inli-tree tment of Europeans in Singapore; the indiscriminate killing of the native inhabitants of the occupied areas; the loss of the lives of 16,000 Allied prisoners of war, the deaths of over 100,000 coolies and the brutal ill-treatment of almost every man during the construction of the Burma-Siam Railway; the infamous death marches at Bataan and in Borneo; the massacre of Australian nurses and other civilians at Banka Island; the Palawan massacre; the massacre at Tol Plantation in New Guinea; the massacre of 200 prisoners of war at Laha; the massacre of Furopeans and natives at Long News, Bandjarmassin, Pontionak and Tarakan; the murders at Wake Island; the killing of survivors from ships which had been sunk; and the widespread extermination of prisoners of war and civilians.

were quite inadequate to sustain the strength of any man, especially those who were engaged on manual labor. Diseases of all kinds resulting from malnutrition and neglect were the cause of much unnecessary suffering and many deaths. When prisoners became sick, the already inadequate rations were reduced unless, in spite of illness, they went to work.

Hospital accommodation was in most cases nonexistent and everywhere there was a lack of medical supplies and drugs for the treatment of the various

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diseases. That these latter were available will be shown by the amount of medical stores discovered in the possession of the Japanese after the Japanese capitulation. Sick men were forced to work and when they were unable to carry on and collapsed they were besten. Hours of work were excessive and conditions of work were in almost every case extremely arduous.

Clothing and footwear were not supplied and men were forced to work bare-footed and clothed in lap-laps. This again contributed to the toll of illness and death.

Torture, mass punishments and beatings were widespread. Severe punishments were inflicted for trifling offenses and even for no offense, and to attempt to escape was to incur execution. Men on working parties were beaten if they showed the slightest slackness, and, in fact, they were beaten lest they should show slackness.

In most of the areas there will be evidence of the plans to kill all prisoners of war in the event of there being a landing by allied troops in Japan or any attempt made to recapture them. In some of the areas these plans were in fact put into execution.

Even in the absence of any direct order, from the fact that similar plans had been prepared in many areas it

may be deduced that such plans were part of the policy of those in control of prisoners of wer.

proved by the evidence to be produced and for which the prosecution submits the accused named in Counts 53, 54, and 55 of the Indictment are responsible.

III. Evidence of Protests made to the Japanese Government and of the Replies thereto.

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The Swiss Minister in Tokyo on behalf of Great Britain and the United States and the Swedish Minister on behalf of the Neth rlands made frequent protests in writing to the Japanese Foreign Minister throughout the period of hostilities, and these protests brought to the knowledge of the Japanese Government most of the cases of mistreatment of prisoners of wer and civilian internees and other breaches of the lews of war which have been referred to above. There were, however, other cases which were unknown to the Allied Governments until ofter the Japanese capitulation, and which, therefore, were not contained in any protest. It was in many cases only by a miracle that any informotion was available as the Japanese andenvored to eliminate the possibility of detection by attempting to destroy all evidence. One of the most important features of this part of the case is the fact that,

with a few exceptions, visits by the representatives of the protecting powers and the International Red Cross to prison camps were systematically refused. In the few exceptional cases when visits to camps were permitted the conditions therein were very much better then in other camps, and in some cases the camps were specially dressed up for the occasion. Furthermore, the prisoners were forbidden under threats of punishment to say anything to the visitors except what had been previously approved by the camp commandent. Many requests were made to visit camps in Theiland; these were consistently denied. It may be deduced from the fact that visits were not allowed in most of the areas that the Japanese Government realized that the reports of any person who saw the camp would be most unfavorable.

Protests complaining of murders, stervation and ill-treatment were for the most part either not enswered at all or not replied to for a long period.

When any reply was made it was evesive, contained allegations that the protest was based on incorrect information or consisted of a simple denial. At not time before the capitulation was there any acknowledgement that bad conditions existed.

In view of the overwhelming cvidence of widespread atrocities and breaches of the laws of war which

Government, the members of which were charged with the responsibility of seeing that their forces complied with the rules of war, either knew of many of the breaches and neglected to take any steps to prevent them, or failed to institute any proper inquiry to ascertain whether the allegations contained in the protests were founded on fact. In either case, it is submitted, the responsibility is the same.

Numerous epolications were made for lists of prisoners of war and for the names of those who had died. No complete list was ever provided by the Japanese and it was not until the end of 1945 that the names of many of those who had parished in Thailand, Borneo and other areas were made known for the first time.

It will not be practicable to put before the Tribunal all the protests that were made as they are so numerous, but from those which have been selected it will immediately become apparent that the representatives of the protecting powers made every effort to carry out their tasks, but that they were frustrated at almost every turn by the policy of silence and procrestination which was adopted by the Japanese Government and other officials.

One feet which will essist the Tribunal in determining the innocence or guilt of the occused lies 3 in a comparison between the number of persons who died in captivity in Germany and Italy and the numbers who were killed or died in captivity in Japan. In Germany and Italy 142,319 British prisoners of war were reported ceptured and of these 7,310 or 5.1 per cent were killed or died in captivity. 50,016 British prisoners of wer were in the power of the Japanese and of these 12,433 or 24.8 per cent were killed or died in captivity.

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IV. Official Reports concerning the treatment of Prisoners of War made by the Japanese Government since 3 September 1945.

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striking, apart from the two already before the Tribunal relating to the Burma-Thailand Railway and the massacre of Chinese at Singapore, are those relating to the treatment of Allied Air Force personnel in Japan. These contain direct admissions that Allied aviators who had bombed the territory of Japan and were later captured were executed without any form of trial.

As was the case in the two reports tendered during the evidence of Colonel Wild, most of the other reports admit certain of the matters complained of in the protests, and seek to avoid any blame or responsibility by alleging that they were the result of the stress of circumstances. The evidence of eye-witnesses and victims will be sufficient to rebut the claim that the matters complained of were inevitable and that they were not the result of the intentional and deliberate actions of the Japanese.

V. Evidence of the Acts of the Defendants and of their Subordinates which demonstrate their Responsibility for the Breaches of the Laws of War.

Under the Hague Convention No. 4,
Prisoners of War are in the power of the hostile
Government, and not of the individuals or corps who

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Apart from the responsibility which attaches to the various accused by virtue of the respective offices held by them, proof will be offered to the Tribunal that they are directly responsible for acts performed by them and their immediate subordinates contrary to the recognized rules of warfare.

With respect to TOJO, Hideki, there is at the outset an admission by him contained in his interrogation that he was personally responsible for the mistreatment of prisoners of war and civilians. In addition there will be proof of an announcement made by him that Japan would not observe the provisions of the Geneva Prisoner of War Convention of 1929. He personally gave instructions to the heads of the Prisoner of War Camps which violated the rules of war. As War Minister he had complete control of the activities of the various departments of the War Office such as Military Affairs Bureau, the Prisoner of War Information Bureau and the Prisoner of War Management Bureau. TOJO was also responsible for the policy adopted by the Japanese Government towards prisoners of war and civilian internees.

KEITEA was Vice Minister of War from

the Ministry subject only to the direction of ToJo.

KIMURA was responsible for the design of the Prisoner of War Punishment Act, the provisions of which were in direct contravention of the laws of war and the provisions of the Geneva Prisoner of War Conventions of 1929, and also for the law which prescribed the death penalty for captured members of the Allied Air Forces, under which members of that were executed without trial of any kind. KIMURA was also directly responsible for the public exhibition of prisoners of war in Korea and for sending of prisoners to work in munition factories in Manchuria and their use for "work having connection with the operations of war" in practically all areas.

MUTO and SATO in succession were chiefs of the Military Affairs Bureau which controlled the Prisoner of War Management Bureau and the Prisoner of War Information Bureau. These two bureaux administered all affairs relating to prisoners of war, subject to the approval of the Military Affairs Bureau.

Complaints of mistreatment of prisoners of war and civilian internees were forwarded by the Swiss Legation, as Protecting Power, to the

Japanese Foreign Ministry, which in turn transmitted the complaints to the War Ministry, where in the usual course of procedure they passed from the Secretariat of the War Ministry through the Office of the Vice Minister of War to the Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau and then in turn to the Prisoner of War Information Bureau or the Prisoner of War Management Bureau, the office of the Chief of the last named bureau being held concurrently by the same person. The Chief of the two last named bureaux formulated a reply when considered advisable, after consultation with the Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau, after which the proposed reply was forwarded by the Vice Minister of War to the Foreign Ministry, and practically without exception, the reply prepared in the Prisoner of War Information Bureau or the Prisoner of War Management Bureau was the reply made by the Foreign Minister to the Swiss Legation.

The same course was followed in the denials of the privilege of visiting prisoner of war camps when such applications were made either by the Swiss Legation as Protecting Power, or by the representatives of the International Red Cross. Of those indicted, the following occupied the position

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of Foreign Minister for Japan between the years 1941 and 1945, inclusive: TOGO, Shigenori; TOJO, Hideki; and SHIGEMITSU, Mamoru.

ment of prisoners of war by private industry, most of which industries were engaged in "work having connection with the operations of war," applications to have such prisoners assigned went from the Prefectural Governor to the Home Ministry and thence to the War Ministry for approval, following the same course within the War Ministry as complaints in regard to the treatment of prisoners of war. The only person indicted who occupied the position of Home Minister during the war period was TOJO, Hideki, which position he occupied concurrently while Premier. TOJO also for a short time was concurrently Prime Minister and Foreign Minister during the war period.

Copies of complaints lodged by the
Swiss Legation as Protecting Power in behalf of the
United States, Great Britain, Australia, Canada, and
New Zealand, were transmitted by the Foreign Ministry
not only to the War Ministry, but also copies were
sent, as a usual thing, to the Navy Ministry and to
the Home Ministry. So, again, it appears that the
responsibility for such treatment lies with the

defendants SHIMADA, who was Navy Minister under TOJO, and later Chief of the Naval General Staff; with OKA, who was Chief of the General and Military Affairs Bureau of the Navy from October, 1940, to August, 1944, and NAGANO, who was Chief of the Naval General Staff from April, 1941, to February, 1944; and SUZUKI, Teiichi, who was Minister without Portfolic as well as President of the Planning Board. As such, he was a member of TOJO's Cabinet and is charged with knowledge of the complaints in regard to the maltreatment of prisoners of war and violations of treaties in connection therewith.

buring the time that TOJO was Premier, he was concurrently Minister of War, but was seldom in his office in the War Ministry. KIMURA, as Vice Minister of War, made many of the decisions ordinarily made by the Minister. On August 30, 1944, KIMURA was assigned as Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Armed Forces in the Burma area, and as such was directly responsible for the mistreatment of prisoners of war in that area occurring after that date.

The decision to employ prisoner of war labour on the Burma-Thailand Railroad was made in 1942 by the Imperial General Staff, which included

the then Chief of Staff of the Army, SUGIYAMA (deceased), the Chief of the Naval General Staff, then the defendant NAGANO; the Navy Minister, SHIMADA, and War Minister TOJO, and the responsibility for the violations of the treaties and assurances in connection with such employment on "work having connection with the operations of war" and the ensuing maltreatment and resulting deaths of such prisoners of war so engaged, must rest in large part with those above named. For the employment of prisoners of war in Manchukuo on "work having connection with the operations of war," in violation of treaties and assurances, and the mistreatment of the prisoners in that region, the responsibility must be placed in part upon the defendant UMEZU, who was Commander of the Kwantung Army and Ambassador to Manchukuo concurrently from 1939 to 1944.

The defendant ITAGAKI was Commander of the 7th Area Army in Singapore from April, 1945, to the end of the war, and upon him rests some responsibility for the breaches of the laws of war in and about Singapore during the period he was in command.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Levin.

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MR. LEVIN: Mr/ Fresident, may I ask whether or not there will be a ruling on our objections to the opening by Mr. Justice Mansfield?

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MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: The prosecution now tenders in evidence the documents referred to in the statement relating to assurances by the Japanese Government.

The prosecution tenders in evidence prosecution's document No. 1469-D.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

GLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 1469-D will receive exhibit No. 1490.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1490 and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: These letters have been paraphrased in the opening statement. I do not intend to read them unless the Tribunal desires otherwise.

The prosecution tenders in evidence prosecution document No. 1469-B.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 1469-B will receive exhibit No. 1491.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No 1491 and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: The prosecution

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tenders in evidence prosecution document No. 1469-C. THE PERSIDENT: Admitted or the usual terms. .2 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 1469-C will receive exhibit No. 1492. (Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1492 and received in evidence. MR. JUSTICE LANGFIFLD: The prosecution tenders in evidence document No. 1469-A. 10 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 11 CLERK OF THE COUNT: Prosecution's docu-12 ment No. 1469-A will receive exhibit No. 1493. 13 (Whereupon, the document above re-14 ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 15 No. 1493 and received in evidence.) 16 MP. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: The prosecution 17 tenders in evidence prosecution's document No. 847-D. 18 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 19 Mr Justice Mansfield, I understand one or 20 two of -y colleagues would like you to specify what 21 these documents are as you tender them. You need 22 not read them. MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: I will, yes. 24 Document 847-D, exhibit 1494 --25 THE PERSIDENT: Go back to 1490.

Mr. Cunningham.

IMR. CUNNINGHAM: If the Tribunal please,

I would like to inquire of the prosecution if they
propose to prove by these documents that Japan
adhered to the rules of land warfare; and, if so,

I object to them for the reason that the documents
are not in compliance with the provisions of the
rules of land warfare for adherence, and are, therefore, incompetent, irrelevant and immaterial.

of another member of the Bench, the objection is overruled as puerile.

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: Exhibit 1490 is the statement by the defendant TOGO that Japan would strictly observe the Geneva Led Cross Convention and would apply mutatis mutandis the provisions of the Geneva Prisoner of War Convention of 1929.

Japanese Government to apply, under conditions of reciprocity, the Prisoner of War Convention to enemy civiliar internees in so far as they were applicable and provided they were rot made to work without their consent.

Exhibit 1492 is the inquiry by the Swiss on behalf of the United States as to whether the

Japanese Government would give the same assurance which had been given to the British Government that they would take into consideration, as to food and clothing, the national and racial customs of the prisoners.

Exhibit 1493 is the statement by TOGO as Foreign Mirister that Japan intended to take into consideration the national and racial customs of American war prisoners and civilian internees with regard to provisions and clothing.

of January, 1942, from the Argentine Minister in Tokyo on behalf of Great Britain and the Dominions undertaking to observe the terms of the International Convention on the Treatment of Prisoners of War signed at Geneva and asking if the Japanese Government would make a similar declaration.

The prosecution tenders in evidence prosecution document 847-E, which is a letter of the 5th of January, 1942, from the Argentine Mirister in Tokyo to the defendant TOGO asking the Japanese — informing the Japanese Government that it intended to take into consideration the rational and racial customs of the prisoners with regard to food and clothing.

THE PARSIDINT: Admitted on the usual terms CLEIK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 847-E will receive exhibit No. 1495.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1495 and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: The prosecution tenders in evidence prosecution's document No. 14(5-C, a letter of the 29th of January, 1942, from the Mirister for Foreign Affairs, TOGO, to the Argentine Minister undertaking to aprly the Prisoner of War Convention of 1929 mutatis mutandis to British, Canadian, Australian and New Zealand prisoners of war under Japanese control and undertaking to consider the national and racial manners and customs under reciprocal conditions when supplying clothing and provisions to prisoners of war.

THE PLESIDENT: Admitted or the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 1465-C will receive exhibit No. 1496.

(Whereuron the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1496 and received in evidence.) MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: I call as a witness Colin Fleming Brien.

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COLIN FLENING BRIEN, called as a witness on behalf of the prosecution, being first duly sworn testified as follows: DIRECT EXAMINATION BY M. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: 5 What is your full name? 6 My full name is Colin Fleming Brien. You reside where? Q Sydney, Australia. In February 1942, what was your occupation? 10 I was a soldier in the Eighth Division, 11 A. I. F., and was serving in Malaya. 12 And were "ou wounded in February, 1942, 13 during the fighting? 14 Yes. 15 16 Where were you wounded? 17 During the fighting in the Kranji area, 18 Singapore Island, I was wounded by shrapnel in 19 various parts of the body. 20 Just describe what happened after you were 21 wounded. 22 I was wounded on the 9th of February; and 23 on that day lost cortact with my unit. 24

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of February I was wandering in a semi-conscious weakened condition trying to reach Singapore City.

What happened on the 26th of February?

A On the 26th of February I was captured by the Japanese forces and taken to a divisonal corps headquarters which was formerly a Roman Catholic convent on the outskirts of Singapore.

Q Well, what happened there?

A I was interrogated by a Japanese officer and during my period there I was rtationed or quartered in his headquarters, and whilst there I noticed several senior Japanese officers entering and leaving the building; and whilst there was also given food and water, but at no time was my wounds treated.

Q Did any of the Japanese see you?

A Yes, quite a few Japanese officers came over, looked at me, and they included senior officers.

Q Were you the only prisoner there?

A I was.

Q Did you offer any resistance or violence to the Japanese at any time?

A No.

Q Well, what happened on the 1st of March?

A At eight o'clock in the morning a Japanese

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officer approached me and beckoned me to follow him. In his right hand was a pistol and in his left hand was a quantity of cord.

Q Yes.

A He told me then to go along a track leading into the jungle; and he was accompanied by two or three Japanese soldiers.

Q Yes.

A We came into a clearing in which there was a plateon of Japanese soldiers drawn up in parade order, a group of twelve to fifteen Japanese officers and a grave about two feet six inches in depth.

Q Yes.

A There was also a Japanese sword sticking in the earth close to the grave. A Japanese officer then told me that I was going to meet my God. I was then searched, and after being searched, I was told to sit down with my knees, legs and feet projecting into the grave. My hands were tied behind my back. A small towel was tied over my eyes and then --

Q Go ahead.

A My shirt was unbuttoned and pulled back over my back exposing the lower part of my reck. My head was bent forward, and after a few seconds I felt a heavy, dull blow sersation on the back of my neck.

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I realized that I was still alive, but pretended to be dead and fell over on my right side. After that, I lost consciousness. When I came to, I was at the bottom of the grave with wooden pilings and earthen clods over the top of the grave. I had a large wound on the back of my neck, and I was covered in blood. My hands were still tied behind my back. The towel had fallen from my eyes; and after an hour, I decided to extricate myself. With my toes and feet I managed to dislodge a pile of clods from the edge -- opening of the grave, and through the intervening space managed to crawl. I then struggled into the lilang grass and lay there all day. That right I managed to untie my hands. After being in that vicirity for the next three days, I left it, and struggled into Singapore City where I gave myself up to the Malay Civil Police. On the 4th of March I was handed over to the Japanese forces who further interrogated me; after which I was taken to Changi Prisoner of War Hospital. There I remained until June of the same year.

Q And after that, after June, did you remain at Singapore?

A I remained in various Singapore prisoner of

war camps until I was released in September, 1945. Q Were you at any time charged with having 2 committed any offense or given any form of trial? 3 No. At no time was I charged with any offense or charged or given a trial whatsoever. Has the wound on the back of your neck since been operated on? A Yes. I have had a plastic operation performed on it. 9 Q Would you now show to the Tribunal the 10 wound or the back of your neck, please? 11 (Whereupon, the witness removed his 12 coat.) 13 THE PRESIDENT: One of my colleagues 14 questions whether this kind of thing is necessary. 15 Personally, I think it is; but I will take the decision 16 of all my colleagues. 17 You may show your wound to the extent 18 that you intended. 19 MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: Turn around and 20 show your wound to the Tribunal. 21 (Whereupon, the witness complied with 22 the counsel's request.) 23 24 THE PRESIDENT: We will recess now until half-past one.

(Whereupon, at 1200, a recess was taken.)

AFTERNOON SESSION W The Tribunal met, pursuant to recess, at 1330. 3 MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International Y Military Tribunal for the Far East is now in session. 5 COLIN FLENING BRIEN, called as d 6 a witness on behalf of the prosecution, ren 7 sumed the stand and testified as follows: 8 THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Blewett. 9 GOMR. BLEWETT: If it please your Honor. 10 CROSS-EXAMINATION 11 12 BY MR. BLEWETT: Q Mr. Brien, you were wounded on February 9. 13 Did you know or not of the surrender before February 14 15 26? Yes, a few days before that date I found out. 16 Did you meet or contact any Japanese troops 17 18 within the 9th and 26th? 19 No A What were the circumstances of your sapture? 20 A. I had been given some food by some natives 21 which I was eating sitting in a native hut at the time 22 23 of my capture. 24 By whom were you interrogated? 25 A Japanese officer.

-	Q What was his rank, if you know?
	A Probably a captain.
	Q Did he speak English?
	A Yes.
	those any mention made at any time
5	during your interrogation or any actions that might
7	lead the Japanese to think you were a spy?
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	A No. O Now, was there reason given to you by anyone,
9	Q Now, was there reason gave going to meet
0	that, as to the reason for, as you say, going to meet
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12	A There was no reason given whatever.
13	Q Do you know what the significance of the
14	sword might have that you described?
15	A Yes, I immediately knew that I was going to
16	be the victim of an execution party.
17	O There was no indication of any kind given to
18	you that the Japanese might consider you as a spy; is
19	that so?
20	A No, that is true.
21	Q What was the highest ranking officer, Mr.
22	Brien, that you saw while you were at the Corps Head-
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5 you	THE WITNESS: I never heard, I beg your
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15	THE WITNESS: Yes. Q Do you know, Mr. Brien, whether or not there
16	Q Do you know, Mr. Draw, and the time was a doctor in the Corps Headquarters at the time
18	wore there?
19 20	A If there was, I know not. MR. BLEWETT: That is all. No more questions,
21 22	your Honor. MR. SHIMANOUCHI: I am defense counsel
23 24	SHIMANOUCHI. SHIMANOUCHI.
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BY I'R. SHIMANOUCHI:

Q What was the width and depth of the hole in which you were supposed to have been -- you were to be buried after your execution with a sword?

A The depth was about 2 feet, 6 inches, the width about 3 feet and the length about 6 feet.

Q Was there much poles and other lumber and dirt over your body?

A The earth and poles were not pressing on my body but was covered over the top of the grave.

I could move through -- around in the bottom of the grave.

MR. SHIMANOUCHI: That is all, sir.

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: One question in re-examination. I will read it.

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BY MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD:

Q Had your captors endeavored to take you anywhere on the day before the attempted execution?

A The day before the incident they decided to send me to Changi Prisoner of War Camp. I was put on a truck with several of the Japanese guards and was sent off, but after driving for about an hour the driver lost his way and -- the driver having lost his way, he drove the truck back to the headquarters from

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which we had departed from. MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: That is all, if the Tribunal please. I ask that this witness be excused. THE PRESIDENT: Does he want to go back to his home? Does he want to go back to Australia? PR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: Not immediately. THE PRESIDENT: He is at liberty on the usual terms. (Whereupon, the witness was excused.) 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: If the Tribunal please, I now read prosecution document No. 5430, which is a synopsis.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Logan.

MR. LOGAN: If the Tribunal please, we renew our objections made in Chambers and before the Tribunal with respect to the prosecution presenting its evidence in an evidentiary document under the heading of "Synopsis of Evidence." I shall not review the objections we made on both of those occasions but I would like to add that we further object to it on the ground that there is no provision in the Charter for this method of presentation of evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Objection is overruled. The document is admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5430 will receive exhibit No. 1497.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1497 and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Reading)

"SYNOPSIS OF EVIDENCE

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"A. At the Time of Capitulation.

"1. (a) Prosecution document numbered 5129, the declaration of WONG SIN JOON, is now offered for identification."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5129 will receive exhibit No. 1498 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1498 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt is offered in evidence."

THE COURT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpt
bearing the same documentary number will receive
exhibit No. 1498-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1498-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "This declaration states that on 19 February 1942 the witness and other members of the Chinese Volunteer Force, surrendered themselves voluntarily in view of Japanese assurances as to their safety. They were marched to the Drill Hall and next day all seventy men were taken in trucks to Changi where they were stripped of their

possessions and led to the beach.

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"They were lined up in two rows of 35 men each, facing bren guns, machine guns and tommy guns. The Japanese opened fire and the witness fell down into the sea. Minutes later when he raised his head, the sea water had turned red and the bodies of his companions were lying around him, riddled with bullets. The witness and three other wounded men managed to drag themselves away.

"(b) Prosecution document numbered 5374, being the sworn affidavit of A. F. Ball, is offered for identification."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5374 will receive exhibit No. 1499 for identification only.

. (Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1499 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt is offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpt
bearing the same number, to-wit, 5374, will receive
exhibit No. 1499-A.

(Whereupon, the document above

referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1499-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "Prosecution document numbered 5051, being the sworn affidavit of C. W. Perry, is offered for identification."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5051 will receive exhibit No. 1500 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1500 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt is offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The excerpt therefrom

bearing the same document No. 5051 will receive exhibit

No. 1500-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1500-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "Prosecution document numbered 5047-B, being the sworn affidavit of Rev. G. Polain, is offered for identification."

No. 5047-B will receive exhibit No. 1501 for

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identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1501 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt is offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpt
therefrom bearing the same documentary number will
receive exhibit No. 1501-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1501-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "These affidavits state that:

"(i) Major Ball, on or about 22 February
1942, when ordered by the Japanese to bury a number
of bodies, found about 140 dead Chinese by the water's
edge. Some were boys and some old men and they had
been dead, on estimation, between one to four days.

"(ii) Pte. Perry, hearing machine gun fire at Changi, went to see what was happening and was ordered back by a Japanese guard. Later the witness saw the dead bodies of some 40 Chinese and Malays on the beach, and on examination, found they had been shot."

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"(iii) The Rev. Polain in April 1942 saw 1 43 Chinese bodies lying dead. They had been shot. 2 "(c) Prosecution document 5047-B also 3 states that the witness Rev. Polain saw six Australians 4 lying dead near Bukit Timah. The men formed a section 5 of the witness's own battalion and had been shot some time earlier. They were lying alongside an open grave, their hands tied with rope and cloth, with bandaged 9 eyes. 10 "(d) Prosecution document numbered 5242, being sworn affidavit of L. W. McCann, is offered for 11 12 identification." 13 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 14 No. 5242 will receive exhibit No. 1502 for identifica-15 tion only. 16 (Whereupon, the document above 17 referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 18 No. 1502 for identification only.) 19 MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked 20 excerpt offered in evidence." 21 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 22 CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpt 23 therefrom bearing the same prosecution document number 24 will receive exhibit No. 1502-A.

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(Whereupon, the document above

referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1502-A and received in evidence.)
MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "Prosecution document
numbered 5045 being the sworn affidavit of G. A. Croft

is offered for identification."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document
No. 5045 will be given exhibit No. 1503 for identifica-

tion only.

(Whereupon, the document above

No. 1503 for identification only.)

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MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt offered in evidence."

THE PLESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpt

therefrom bearing the same prosecution document number

will receive exhibit No. 1503-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1503-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "These documents refer to the execution of prisoners of war by the Japanese, after their capture.

"(i) McCann states that after his capture, on 18 February 1942, he and a number of Australians were

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marched, with tied hands, down Reformatory Road until they arrived at a creek. There they were formed into a single file and seven Japanese soldiers lined up about 30 feet away armed with British rifles. The Australians were ordered to face the creek and McCann heard the sound of the rifle bolts being worked and was then struck by a bullet. He fell into the creek with the other men. The Japanese then fired a number of bullets into the bodies lying below. McCann, having waited until the Japanese were gone was able to crawl away.

"(ii) Corporal Croft states that on 23 January, 1942, he was a passenger in a Red Cross truck, marked in the proper way, when the vehicle was machine gunned. The passengers were marched about three miles and put into native huts.

"Later, a 'Japanese guard came in and took out three men with their hands tied together. We thought they were being taken out for questioning; it was not long before three shots rang cut and left no doubt as to what had happened. They kept coming in and going out, taking three each time and then there would be more shots. .

"'I was in the last three to go. We were taken to the front room and made to sit down and then

1 blindfolded. We were then led outside, still tied together, and made to sit down not far from the house. It was not long before something crashed into me and I was knocked back. I was caught by the heel and thrown into a drain. Later I slipped the blindfold and had a look. I couldn't see anyone about and so I crawled out of the drain I was wounded, a bullet having entered the left side of my head about the cheekbone and out on the right side at the back 10 of my neck. I was spitting blood and there was blood 11 everywhere natives I met would not have anything 12 to do with me. Then I discovered I could not speak.' 13 "(e) Prosecution document 5081, being the 14 affidavit of Lt. Col. C. P. Heath, D.S.O., formerly 15 Commanding 9 Coast Regt., R.A., is now offered for 16 identification." 17 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 18 No. 5081 will receive exhibit No. 1504 for identifica-19 tion only . 20 (Whereupon, the document above 21 referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 22 No. 1504 for identification only.) 23 MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked 24 excerpt offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpt therefrom bearing the same document number will receive exhibit No. 1504-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1504-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "This affidavit states that three men of the witness's regiment having escaped, when apprehended were shot on 19 March 1942, in the presence of the witness. Strong protest made by General Percival to the Japanese in Changi was unavailing.

"2. Prosecution document numbered 5044, being the affidavit of L. W. Wright, is now offered for identification."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5044 will receive exhibit No. 1505 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1505 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpt

therefrom bearing the same document number will receive exhibit No. 1505-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1505-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "This affidavit states that the witness about 25 January 1942 saw a British ambulance convey bombed from a low height in Johore, by Japanese bombers. Visibility was excellent and the attack was deliberate. Four or five of the vehicles which contained wounded men were hit, and three of them were left burning. The vehicles were plainly marked with the Red Cross on the sides and roof and there was no military target nearby. In the Muar River fighting a party of prisoners was roped together with about ten or twelve prisoners and was marched for some days. One of the party had been ill and could not walk. It was officially reported to him by the survivors that he was taken off the string of prisoners into the jungle and shortly after that a couple of shots were heard. The Japanese guard returned grinning and the march was resumed. The guard later told the survivors that the sick man had been shot because he could not keep up with them.

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5052-B is offered for identification."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5052-B will receive exhibit No. 1506 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1506 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt tendered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpt
therefrom bearing the same prosecution document number will receive exhibit No. 1506-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1506-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "It is the affidavit of F. C. Stuart who in January 1942 was Senior Representative of the Australian Red Cross Society attached to the Alexandra Hospital, Singapore. This affidavit states that on Saturday, February 14, 1942, the hospital was stormed by Japanese troops, who raced through the building bayoneting and shooting all who came in their path, leaving behind them a path of death and destruction. The medical staff was wearing

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the Red Cross brassard, beds had Red Cross counterpanes and the conventional markings were on the outside and inside of the building. A huge Red Cross approximately forty feet square was on the ground immediately in front of the building. The witness saw two British soldiers of the Manchester Regiment bayoneted. After the raid he saw forty-six dead bodies which had been bayoneted or shot; several had been wounded. At this time an operation was in progress on a British soldier and he was under an anaesthetic. Two doctors and two medical orderlies were in attendance. A Japanese thrust his bayonet through the body of the patient. Other Japanese turned upon the medical staff and killed one doctor and one orderly and wounded the other two. Dozens of dead bodies were picked up in the hospital grounds at nightfall. Towards evening the Japanese mustered 183 patients and staff. Some of the patients were without footwear, some were on crutches, others with limbs in plaster. They were marched away and only two of the men were ever seen again. These men reported the terrible screams of their companions who were evidently bayoneted on Sunday, February 15th. One Japanese was seen wiping the blood off his bayonet. Later on, inquiries were made as to the welfare of the men, but the Japanese replied that they did not have

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any prisoners of war. A few days later a Japanese officer told the C.O. that our men had been buried in shell holes with Japanese dead, about half a mile to the rear of the hospital. The total killed was 323, of whom 230 were patients. The R.A.M.C. lost forty-seven percent of the medical personnel and fiftyfive percent of the officers on the staff."

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"Later a crowd of Japanese entered the hospital and forcibly looted everything of value, such as watches, fountain pens, rings, cigarette cases, trinkets, money, etc. The witness was never recognized as a representative of the Red Cross Society altho application was repeatedly made.

"(b) Prosecution document numbered 5373, being the solemn declaration of J. W. Craven, is offered for identification."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5373 will be given exhibit No. 1507 for identification only.

("hereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1507 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpt therefrom bearing the same document number will receive exhibit No. 1507-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1507-A and received in evidence.) MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "In January 1942,

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the depenent commanded the Alexandra Hespital, Singapere, and he confirms the events related by F. C. Stuart. The declaration further states:

"Tuesday, 17 February 1942. The Japanese G.O.C. called at the hospital at 3 p.m... He expressed regret for the hard time the hospital had had and assured me that the Japanese were hard fighters but kindly captors and that we had nothing to fear... Before leaving he visited part of the hospital and finally I was told that I was to regard his visit as being that of a direct representative of the Japanese Emperor, and that no higher honour could be paid us.

"Evidentiary document No. 5450. Synopsis of Evidence" -- this is the same synopsis.

"B. Prisoners of War in Internment.

"1. (a) Presecution document numbered '5063, being affidavit of D. E. Main, is now offered for identification."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5063 will receive exhibit No. 1508 for identification only.

(Whereupen, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1508 for identification only.)

IR. JUSTICE L'ANSFIELD: "And the marked

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therefrom, bearing the same document number, will
receive exhibit No. 1508-A.

("hereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1508-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And prosecution document numbered 5061, being the affidavit of Lieutenant F. Ramsbotham, is offered for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5061 will receive exhibit No. 1509 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit.
No. 1509 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpt

therefrom, bearing the same document number, will
receive exhibit No. 1509-A.

("hereupon, the document above

referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1509-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "These affidavits state that in the Great World Camp and on working parties, prisoners were beaten and assaulted viciously and regularly. They were kicked, beaten with any convenient instrument, whipped, locked into unventilated and confined spaces, thrown into boiling baths, and generally at the will of their captors.

"(b) Prosecution document numbered 5080, the affidavit of Lt. Col. C. P. Heath, D. S. O., is offered for identification."

ment No. 5080 will receive exhibit No. 1510 for identification only.

("hereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1510 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt offered in evidence."

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IR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "This affidavit stated that in July, 1942, at Havelock Road Camp, prisoners from that camp and from the adjoining River Valley Camp were paraded. The 400 men mostly sick and bare-forted, were then forced to run round in a large circle, for thirty-five minutes. The Japanese Commandant in addressing the men, said: 'I have proved to you that you can dance in bare feet; therefore, you can work in bare feet.'

"This was the only action taken on repeated requests for adequate footwear to be provided for the prisoners.

"Food and medical stores were always in short supply.

"(c) Prosecution document numbered 5130, being the affidavit of Sgt. G. V. D. Picozzi, is now offered for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5130 will receive exhibit No. 1511 for identification only.

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(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1511 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpt

therefrom, bearing the same document number, will

receive exhibit No. 1511-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1511-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "This affidavit relates to the inhuman conditions existing in the Military Gaol, Pearls Mill Prison.

"Men were beaten and tortured to death with little provocation. Chinese and Eurasians, too sick to walk or crawl, were carried out on stretchers to be executed.

was kept in an empty cell for six days prior to his execution....He had a horror of beheading and the guards never lost an opportunity of tormenting him with perioders of what was to come. His mental anguish must have been almost unhearable. From a

16 stone man he had become a 7 stone wreck and was executed on 6 December 1943.

"Men were driven mad by constant illtreatment and a Chinese killed himself by beating his head against the wall of his cell.

"The prisoners were hopelessly undernourished and covered in scabrous sores. When
they were thought to be about to die, they were
sent to Changi POW Hospital, so that the prison
death rate did not appear too great.

"(a) Prosecution document numbered 5428, the affidavit of Lieut. R. G. Wills, is offered for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5428 will receive exhibit No. 1512 for identification only.

("hereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1512 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpt

therefrom, bearing the same document number, will
receive exhibit No. 1512-A.

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(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit

No. 1512-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "This document refers to the many instances of maltreatment of prisoners of war in Outram Road Gaol.

"(b) Prosecution document numbered 5395, the affidavit of Lieut. P. V. Dean, is offered for identification.

No. 5395 will receive exhibit No. 1513 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1513 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpt
therefrom, bearing the same document number, will
receive exhibit No. 1513-A.

(Thereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1513-A and received in evidence.)

"I was a Lieutenent in the 2/4 Machine Gun Bettalion, A.I.F. and was taken prisoner on 15 February 1942 at Singapore.

"2. I was taken to Selarang Prisoner of War Camp, from which I escaped on 17 March, with an Austrelian Corporal. We crossed the Straits of Johore in a small preu and as we approached a small fishing village, our immediate destination, were captured by Tamils and Malays, who handed us over to the Kempei-Tai, on 6th April 1942. I spent 4 days with the Kempei-Tai, who tortured me by burning cigarettes on my chest and hands and by beating me on the head with bemboos, to force a confession that I was a spy.

"3. I was transferred to Curran came, which was the Sikh Guard camp for Changi and held there until 16th April when I was sent back to the Kempei-Tai. I was held there until 24th April, during which time I was asked to sign a statement, which I refused. After four days of beating, burning with cigarettes and electrical shocks, which on one occasion knocked me unconscious, I was handed a statement in Japanese with no English translation, which I was ordered to sign under threats of further torture. I asked for a translation of the document, which was refused and eventually I signed the Japanese document. I was then sent to

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Outram Read gaol on 24th April.

"4. On 18th May 1942 I was brought for trial before a Japanese Court Martial in Singapore. All the proceedings were in Japanese and there was no translation. I eventually learned that I had received two years solitary confinement. I was then removed to Outram Road gaol in which gaol I remained until 18th May 1944.

normally one man per cell. Later two or three men were put into each cell. In the cell were three boards to serve as a bed, together with a hard wooden pillow.

There was a latrine bucket, which was normally cleared twice a week. There was one blanket. During the two years I was in the gaol, approximately 2400 military and non-Japanese personnel passed through the gaol. Of those 110 were military, 150 British and Furasian. The remainder were Chinese, Malays, and Tamils. Of those, approximately 1,000 people died in all. During the same period 3000 Japanese passed through the gaol, of whom only one died. The most the gaol held at any one period of time, of non-Japanese personnel, was 230.

med. The conditions in Outram Road were appalling. The ration consisted of three meals per day, in all 6 ounces of rice and 1 pints of watery soup."

There was no Japanese doctor in the prison camp and the one English doctor, a prisoner for a short time in the camp, was given no facilities with which to deal with the sick. He was not even allowed to visit them. The gaol was 250 yards from Alexandra Hospital, the main hospital of Singapore, but no pris ner was ever sent there, except for one Chinese who tried to commit suicide before trial. He was taken to the Hospital where his head was sewn up and brought back to the gaol for trial.

"There were no showers, no towels, no toilet articles of any nature. In order to wash ourselves we were sometimes given a bucket of water to throw over ourselves. For the first six weeks I never left my cell and never had a wash.

"When I first arrived in the gaol it was like bedlam. People were screaming all day from pain from their wounds and their beatings. The gaol Commandant used to come and watch us, make no comment and leave. The guards, both Korean and Japanese, had complete control over the prisoners. I saw many prisoners beaten and I saw many people die. Examples are as follows:

"On the 10th of May, 1943, four Chinese arrived in the prison. They were handcuffed and chained

down in their cell. They were in good physical condition. They were dead in six weeks of malnutrition and beatings. I saw them often beaten by sticks and sword scabbards.

"Davies, an English man, very bigly built, arrived at approximately the same time as I did in April, 1942. He contracted Beri-Beri and by August his testicles were two feet in diameter. His only method of walking was to carry them in front of him. The Japanese used to bring their friends in to watch him and never did anything to help him, nor permit others to help him. Davies died in October in great agony. He had been beaten many times and he died covered in his own excreta and urine. For five days before his death he had been unable to leave his cell and we were not allewed to help.

"C. W. Barter died on the 13th February, 1943, as a result of beating. Shortly before he died he was very weak, suffering from Beri-Beri and dysentery, and on the 12th February the guard came into his cell and forced him to his feet to carry his latrine bucket out to empty it. As this time Barter was merely skin and bone. He was unable to lift the bucket and tried to drag it along the ground. He was unable to do this, however, and fell down. The guard beat him and

kicked him for nearly five minutes. The next morning he was dead.

"Allen, an Australian, died on the 10th July, 1943. After his death, without the knowledge of the Japanese authorities, his body was weighed by our own medical people in Changi. The weight was 56 bounds, approximately what the bones, of themselves, would weigh. For the fortnight before his death he was not able to leave his cell, or even to move about. Nevertheless, the guards but rice in a corner of the cell, which Allen was not able to reach. I asked many times to be allowed to feed him, but the various guards refused. I was ordered to dress him after his death, and when I saw him he was literally bone covered in scales as a result of dry Beri-Beri. He was covered in filth.

"Hatfield, an Australian Sergeant, was caught in Singapore in May 1943. He spent three months with the Kempei-Tai and was then brought into the gaol in August. He was tried in November 1943, and sentenced to be executed as a spy. I had some small knowledge of Japanese and I was taken to Hatfield on the 4th December, 1943, who asked me to arrange for him to make a will an for a Priest. Both these requests were refused by the gaol Commandant. Hatfield was taken away from the gaol on the 6th of December, and the

guard who executed him told me later that he had had the pleasure of executing Hatfield in a field at Bukit Timah.

"Mrs. Nixon, the only European woman I saw at Outram Road, came in January, 1944. She had been an internee at Changi. She was brought in by the Kempei-Tai and confined in the same circumstances as ourselves, without any privacy. She was still there when I left in May, 1944, in solitary confinement.

were brought into the gaol in 1943 and had both been tortured previously by the Kempei-Tei. They died of disease in the gaol. Massino was regularly beaten by the guards when they saw him on his knees praying.

"Hugh Fraser, the Colonial Secretary, Malaya, arrived with a party at the end of 1943. He had been with the Kempei-Tai some four months prior to his arrival. He was beaten by the guards regularly and died after I left.

"There was an Englishman who in May, 1943 developed a form of scabies as the result of which the whole of the area at the back of his body from the waist to knoes became an open sore, which dripped puss. He was quite unable to sit down or lie down for three months, and was given no treatment, no

bandages or rags to wipe the matter coming from the wound. Fortunately, eventually it dried by itself.

"Two Chinese women were brought into the gaol on the 26th July 1943, and were held in the same circumstances and conditions as the men. One woman was in an advanced stage of pregnancy. She was moved only a few days prior to the birth of her child.

"A Chinese boy, aged 12, came into the gaol with his oother. Sie was put into one cell and he in another. He died of Beri-Beri in about nine weeks. I carried his body when he was dead. It was all puffed out and his head was so swollen that the features were not obviously recognizable as human.

"A number of people went mad under these conditions. The Japanese method of treatment was to put three or four more people into the cell to look after the lunatic. In most cases the mad man died because he refused to eat. On several occasions he injured his companions.

"Major Smith who arrived at the end of November, 1943 had had his jaw broken by the Kempei-Tai during interrogation. It was exceedingly difficult for him to eat. He was refused treatment in the prison, the Japanese answer being if he had told the truth he would not have had his jaw broken."

"8. At the end of 1943 the prison authorities sent some of the worst sick away from Outram
Road * Changi Hospital. In almost every case the
men sent were about to die, and the doctors in the
hospital told me that these sick men were impossible
to save, and it appeared that the Japanese were sending
them so that the official death rate in Outram Road

would appear to be less than it was in fact.

"9. I had a big cyst on my right him in September, 1943, from which I suffered for nearly a month. Foreover, my side was enormously swollen and I sked the guard to slice the top of it off, which he did with his sword and then drained the puss. This I took as a kindly act. There was a dispensary in the gaol and a Japanese orderly, with a large number of drugs and instruments, who refused to treat me. In August 1942 two Japanese escaped from their portion of the gaol and as a punishment for three weeks all the prisoners had to sit to attention, that is, on their heals and cross-legged, from 7 in the morning till 9:30 at night. The daily ration was 3 ounces of rice, a small bowl of water and a piece of rock salt.

"10. I had one pair of shorts during the whole period, April 1942 to September 1943. This was the case with many of us. In September 1943 we were

issued with one Japanese shirt and a pair of shorts, which had come from diseased Japanese sick. These garments were washed once a month, and owing to their refusal to allow us to number or mark the garments, no prisoner normally ever received his own garment back. In view of the diseased nature of most of the prisoners, under this system it was impossible for anyone to remain healthy. In a short time everyone had scabies.

in which we lived. There was blood and puss stains on the wall, where people had wiped the hands they had used to dry their wounds. Piles of scalv skin lay in the corners. There were bed bugs in the boards of the bed. We were never shaved and had to cut our nails by scraping them on the concrete floors. All the guards wore masks when they were on duty in our block of cells. They never touched anything in our cells with their hands, only with their swords or with gloves.

Our cells were cleaned, to my knowledge, only twice in the two years. On the other hand, the block in which the Japanese prisoners were housed was beautifully clean.

"12. Every guard was a law unto himself, and one evening a guard would beat us for not being asleep; the next on outy would beat us for being asleep."

"There were working parties in the gaol which began in October 1942 when some of us went out cleaning drains. By Yay 1943 other parties had been formed.

"It was impossible to keep notes or a diary since cells were searched daily. Outram Road gaol was the central gaol for the Japanese Southern Army, so that when a cell was empty we knew either the man had died, or had been executed, or was about to be executed.

"When I first arrived in the gaol I saw in the open buildings which were around six fully stocked with cases of tinned milk. I estimate there were between 20 and 30 thousand cases. We got a little for the first month; after that we had milk twice, on the Emperer's birthday in 1942 and 1943. The milk was used by the Japanese for themselves in the gaol and as presents to visitors. It was not distributed to other units. There was enough milk in the gaol to supply every prisoner with milk until the end of the war, with a good deal to spare, and Vitamin B was, of course, our greatest need.

"On one occasion a member of the Royal family walked through the gaol at the end of 1942. He never looked into the cells; he merely walked into the passage. On several occasions high-ranking officers

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paid visits to the gaol. They must have seen some of the prisoners at their work or carrying their latrine buckets to be emptied. Prior to such visits, the cell steps would be scrubbed with soap. Soap was never issued to the prisoners for the purpose of washing their bodies.

"On the 18th of Tay 1944 I left Outram Road gaol and went back to Changi gaol and was put in the tower. I was asked to sign a non-escape form, which I did eventually under compulsion. I was then released and became an interpreter, soing to Bukit Panjang with 379 officers and men to dig Japanese fortifications. The Australian Camp Commandant protested to the Japanese sergeant in charge of the camp, and to high inspecting officers who visited, as to the nature of the work, but to no avail. In June 1945 an Australian, Private Wilson, was killed in a fall of earth owing to insufficient precautions being taken during the tunneling of the hole.

"The work parties began at 8 a.m. and marched four or five miles each morning. For the most part, men had no boots. Some used home-made rubber shoes or clogs; others had bare feet. Officers were not permitted to leave the camp, nor allowed to go with the working parties, which normally returned at 6:30

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P.m. Towards June 1945 the mon began to return from work parties at 10 p.m. in the evening, after working 20 to 30 feet into the side of a hill by candlelight, and not having eaten since midday. They often came back wet through. No lights were allowed in the camp, and the hours were so irregular that it was often very difficult to provide a hot meal at night.

about July 1945 fifty pairs of Chinese women's bloomers were issued, to the great amusement of the villagers as some of the men walked through the streets in them.

We had very little medical stores in the camp, and although 200 yards away was a medical stores distribution center, we were unable to obtain any, nevertheless. A good deal of beating up by the guards took place.

One order that all men had to salute sentries provided ample excuse for many beatings.

"The ration for working men was ten ounces of rice daily, three ounces of vegetables, and occasionally tinned food, which appeared to be Red Cross supplies since I saw Red Cross parcels in the stores.

The ration for a sick man was about 30 percent less.

This affected the camp basic ration, as about 50 percent of the camp were sick."

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MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "Prosecution document numbered 5397, the affidavit of Lieut.

A.G. Weynton, is now offered for identification."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5397 will receive exhibit No. 1514 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1514 for identification only.)

MR. JU TICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked

excerpt offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpt therefrom, bearing the same documentary number, will receive exhibit No. 1514-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1514-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "This affidavit confirms the conditions of living in Outram Road gaol and makes reference to the beatings and murder of prisoners, and to the execution without trial of Allied airmen and civilians.

"Prosecution document numbered 5077, being

the affidavit of Major J.W.D. Bull, is now offered for identification."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5077 will receive exhibit No. 1515 for identification only.

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(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1515 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpt therefrom bearing the same documentary number, will receive exhibit No. 1515-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1515-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "Prosecution document numbered 5064-B, being the affidavit of Major B.L.W. Clarke, is offered for identification only."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5064-B will receive exhibit No. 1516 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above

referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1516 for identification only.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt tendered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

excerpt therefrom, bearing the same documentary number, will receive exhibit No. 1516-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1516-A and received in evidence.)

refer to the gross inadequacy of food supplied to the prisoners in Roberts Barracks and ARANJI Camp, resulting in deficiency and other diseases; no attempt was made by the Japanese to control the incidence of malaria. When men came to hospital from work on the Burma-Siam railway, in appalling physical condition, the P.O.W. doctors were given no help or facilities to deal with them. There was a shortage of essential drugs and stores.

Accommodation for the sick was greatly inadequate.

"After the surrender, the Japanese sent in enormous quantities of food to the hospitals. Drugs,

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irstruments and other greatly needed articles were sent in. These had been in Singapore since 1942, yet requests for food and drugs to save life had always during internment been refused.

"Prosecution document numbered 5058, being the affidavit of Brig. F.G. Galleghan, is now offered for identification."

ment No. 5058 will receive exhibit No. 1517 for identification only.

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MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked ex-

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpt
therefrom, bearing the same documentary number, will
receive exhibit No. 1517-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1517-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "This affidavit states that:

(i) In September 1942, four prisorers of

war were executed without trial by
the Japanese for an attempted
escape three months earlier. They
were shot in the presence of the
witness. After the execution the
Japanese Commander gave the P.O.W.
spectators a homily reminding them
that disobedience of orders meant

death.

"(ii) Owing to the refusal to sign nonescape forms voluntarily, the 16,000 prisoners of war under the command of the witness were ordered to move into the square at Selarang Barracks by 1800 hours, 2 September 1942. The normal accommodation of the barracks was for roughly 450 men. The prisoners of war remained thus until 4 September, when an agreement was reached. During this period no rations were supplied to the prisoners of war, and there was a large increase in the number of dysentery and diphtheria cases. Evacuation of the sick from the square into the hospital

was not permitted.

"(111)

In Changi Camp, food was always
inadequate. One man of 16 stone
weight dropped to 4½ stone and generally people were at least onethird underweight. Deficiency and
skin diseases were rife. Medical
supplies were grossly inadequate.":

"(iv) Prisoners were engaged on building airfields, hours were long, clothing was insufficient and representations to the Commanding Japanese General of no avail. Japanese aeroplanes used the airfield after its construction. "(v) Demands made by the Japanese for working parties were impossible to fulfill using only healthy men. Sick men were forced to work and repeated complaints were useless. "(vi) There were no visits of any Red Cross Representative, despite frequent requests. "(vil) There were inspections of Changi Camp by high-ranking officers. Count TERAUCHI twice inspected the Camp. General ITAGAKI inspected the camp and walked through it. General TOJO when in Singapore did not visit the Camp.

"4.Prosecution Document numbered 5057-B, the afficavit of W.T.C. Guest is now offered for identification."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5057-B will receive exhibit No. 1518 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1518 for identification.)

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PR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpt offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpt

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receive exhibit No. 1518-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1518-A, and was received in evidence.)

that the witness, the Red Cross Representative in Malaya, interned as a prisoner of war in River Valley Camp, was hampered and frustrated in every effort he made to use the facilities of his Society for the benefit of the prisoners of war. Permission was refused to enable the witness to make necessary purchases and help prisoners of war in the hands of the Kempei Tai.

"The witness brought the Red Cross Conventions and Rules to the notice of various Japanese officers in a fruitless endeavour to obtain proper facilities.

"Red Cross parcels were misused and no supervision in their distribution was permitted.

"C. Internees.

"Prosecution Document numbered 5078 being the Affidavit of J. L. Wilson, the Right Reverend Lord

Bishop of Singapore together with the report of the Sime Road Commission in relation to 'The Double Tenth' raid, is now offered for identification."

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5078 will receive exhibit No. 1519 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1519 for identification.)

TR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: "And the marked excerpts offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpt therefrom, bearing the same document number, will

received exhibit No. 1519-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1519-A, and was received in evidence.) THE PRESIDENT: You will read now without

a break to the end of the document, apparently?

IR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: Yes.

THE PRESIDENT: We might as well take the recess at this stage. We will recess for fifteen minutes.

(Whereupon, at 1440, a recess was

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Military Tribunal for the Far East is now resumed.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Justice Mansfield.

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: This document states

that:

Prison were paraded soon after dawn in the Main Yard as if for a routine roll-call.....A number of the internees were called out by name, labelled and segregated....The investigation finished after dusk and internees were allowed to return inside the Prison.

Many of them had had no food since 6 p.m. on the previous day, and some suffering distress and even collapse owing to the day-long exposure to the sun without food.

"In consequence of this investigation, 57 interness were removed from Changi Prison by the Military Police on or after 10 October 1943....The Japanese were trying to establish that there was a spy organisation in Changi Prison which received and transmitted by radio telephony, which had established contacts in the town for the purpose of sabotage and

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taken until 1455, after which the proceedings were resumed as follows:)

MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International Military Tribunal for the Far East is now resumed. THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Justice Mansfield. MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: This document states that:

"On 10 October 1943 all internees in Changi Prison were paraded soon after dawn in the Main Yard as if for a routine roll-call A number of the internees were called out by name, labelled and segregated The investigation finished after dusk and internees were allowed to return inside the Prison. Many of them had had no food since 6 p.m. on the previous day, and some suffering distress and even collapse owing to the day-long exposure to the sun without food.

"In consequence of this investigation, 57 internees were removed from Changi Prison by the Military Police on or after 10 October 1943.... The Japanese were trying to establish that there was a spy organisation in Chargi Prison which received and transmitted by radio telephony, which had established contacts in the town for the purpose of sabotage and

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stirring up of anti-Japanese feeling, and which collected money from outside for this purpose. In fact, there was no spy organization, no radio transmission and no attempt to promote anti-Japanese activities outside the Camp....

The conditions under which Internees were detained by the Military Police were rigorous in the extreme. They were crowded, irrespective of race, sex, or state of health, in small cells or cages. They were so cramped that they could not lie down in comfort. No bedding or coverings of any kind were provided and bright lights were kept burning overhead all night. From 8 a. m. to 10 p. m. inmates had to sit up straight on the bare floor with their knees up and were not allowed to relax or put their hands on the floor, or talk, or move, except to go to the lavatory. Any infraction of the rigid discipline involved a beating by the sentrics. There was one pedestal water-closet in each cell or cage, and the water flushing into the pan provided the only water supply for all purposes, including drinking. It should be recorded here that nearly all of the inmates suffered from emteritis or dysentery. No soap, towel, toilet articles or handkerchiefs were permitted and inmates had no clothing other than those they were wearing.

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The food supplied.....was insufficient to

support life over a long period and led to serious deficiency diseases in all cases of long detention.

"Medical facilities were for all practical purposes non-existent ... a Japanese doctor, who was called to see an Internee suffering from a fractured pelvis and possibly ruptured kidney, remarked that the men was not sick enough.....

"The buildings occupied by the Japanese Military Police resounded all day and all night with blows, the bellowing of the inquisitors, and the shricks of the tortured. From time to time, victims from the torture chamber would stagger back or, if unconscious, would be dragged back to their cells with marks of their ill-treatment on their bodies. In one such case, an unconscious victim so returned died during the night, without receiving any medical attention, and his body was not removed until the afternoon. In these conditions, and this atmosphere of terror, these men and women waited, sometimes for months, their summons to interrogation which might come at any hour of the day or night.

"Usually interrogations started quietly and would so continue as long as the inquisitors got the expected answers. If, for any reason, such answers were not forthcoming, physical violence was immediately

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employed. The mothods used were:

"(1) Water Torture. There were two forms of water torture. In the first, the victim was tied or held down on his back and a cloth placed over his nose and mouth. Water was then poured on the cloth. Interrogation proceeded and the victim was beaten if he did not reply. As he opened his mouth to breathe or to answer questions, water went down his throat until he could hold no more. Sometimes, he was then beaten over his distanced stomach, sometimes a Japanese jumped on his stomach, or sometimes pressed on it with his foot.

"In the second, the victim was tied lengthways on a ladder, face upwards, with a rung of the ladder across his throat and his hard below the latter. In this position, he was slid first into a tub of water and kept there until almost drowned. After being revived, interrogation proceeded and he would be reimmersed.

"(2) Besting with iron bers, brass rods, sticks, bamboos, wet knotted ropes, belts with buckles, or revolver butts, all over the body. Whilst these bestings were being inflicted, the victims were sometimes suspended by the wrists from a rope bassed over a beam. Sometimes their hands were tied behind their

backs and they were forced to kneel on sharp pieces of wood or iron, while sharp-edged pieces of wood or metal were placed behind their knees so as to cut into the flesh as they knelt. Thile they were so kneeling the Japanese would jump on their thighs or on the projecting ends of the ber or wood behind their knees; sometimes to increase the pressure on the wood or bar behind the knees, a Japanese would perch himself on the shoulders of the victim, or the victim, with hands untied, would be compelled to hold heavy weights above his head. They were often forced to remain in this position without intermission for 9 to 10 hours, during which period interrogation would go on remorselessly, punctuated by blows. At times, the victim would be tied to a table and flogged until he lost consciousness. In one case, the man so flogged counted over 200 blows before losing consciousness. This treatment, was in some cases, carried on daily for 4 to 5 days consecutively. In one case, a European who died later, was interrogated with the usual beating, for 58 hours at a stretch and another European since dead, underwent 144 hours of bestings in all, according to the estimate of his cell mates.

"(3) During interrogation the inquisitor, in many cases, burnt the victim with cigarette and

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cheroot ends, even on the most sensitive parts of the body, e.g. arm-pits, between the toes, on the scrotum and penis. Several Asistics had petrol noured on their bellies and ignited, and another Asiatic had his hands tied together and immersed in a bowl of methylated spirit which was ignited.

of this. In the first, an induction coil was used, one electrode being attached to the hand or foot and the other bare wire was applied to various parts of the body. One victim reports that he was thrown across the room by the violence of the shock. The effect has been described as one of physical and mental disintegration. The second form apparently more severe, was called the electric table or electric cap. There is evidence that this was used by not on any of our witnesses.

"(5) In addition to these forms of torture,
the inquisitor of ten employed other methods, such as
ju-jitsu, twisting of limbs, bending back of fingers,
twisting of sharp-edged wood between fingers, punching,
repeated blows on the same spot, and so on. These
methods in many cases resulted in dislocations and
permanent damage to limbs and joints. In one case,
the inquisitor punctuated his questions by flicking

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off, with the frayed end of a bamboo, flesh bruised in a previous beating. This left a permanent scar, six inches by three inches on the victim's thigh.

"(6) In several cases, victims were led to believe that their execution either by beheading or shooting, was imminent. They were advised to write a letter of farewell. Preparations for execution were carried out, up the penultimate stage, with such realism that, in two cases, the victims fainted.

made to take action against the family of the victim (the wives of some Internees were believed to be in Japanese custody in other parts of Asia). Torture was carried out to the limit of human endurance. One Internee attempted to commit suicide by jumping over the verandah. In his fall he fractured his pelvis, but, despite his condition, his interrogation under torture was continued until just before he died. In another case, the Internee asked his Inquisitors for the means to commit suicide. A pistol was produced and was snatched away only when the man was about to carry out his declared intention."

Prosecution document No. 5131, being the effidavit of C. E. Hiltermann is now produced for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document
No. 5131 will receive exhibit No. 1520 for identification
only.

(Whereupon, "he document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1520 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: And the marked excerpt offered in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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exhibit No. 1520A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1520A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: Prosecution document No. 5205, being the affidavit of Dr. P. M. Johns is offered for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document
No. 5205 will receive exhibit No. 1521 for identification
only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1521 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: These affidavits

confirm the evidence of the Lord Bishop of Singapore and describe the tortures they observed inflicted by the Kempeitai on civilians.

The witness Hiltermann states that "on one occasion I saw the Bishop of Singapore who had been maltreated terribly. His legs from his hips to his ankles had been beaten to pulp. They were literally like raw meat....He was just about able to crawl.

Every refinement of torture, every conceivable humiliation, every possible degredation, was inflicted upon the internees as these documents testify.

THE PRESIDENT: The last excerpt is admitted on the usual terms.

No. 5205, the excerpt from the one for identification, was given exhibit No. 1521A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked proseqution's exhibit No. 1521A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: Malaya. 1. Massacre near Ipor.

Prosecution's document No. 5154, being the statement of Sepoy Mul Chand is now produced for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5154 will receive exhibit No. 1522 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1522 for identification.)

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Logen.

MR. LOGAN: If the Tribunal please, may the record show that defense makes the same objection to the synopsis of document No. 5432 and any further synopses introduced by the prosecution as that made with respect to prosecution document No. 5430, prosecution exhibit 1497?

THE PRESIDENT: We take your objection to apply to every synopsis and it is overruled in each case.

MR. JUSTICE MANSFILLD: I omitted, if the Tribunal please, to tender the excerpt being document 5432, which I now tender.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CHERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5432 will receive exhibit No. 1523 for admission.

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to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1523 and

received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: 1. Massacre near Ipor.

This document has already gone in. Prosecution document No. 5154, being the statement of Sepoy Mul Chand is now --- and the excerpt has gone in.

"This document relates that seventy-five
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himself but escaped with his life by lying under some
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"2. Murder of prisoners at MUAR.

"Prosecution document numbered 5241 being the Affidavit of T. C. TREVOR, is now offered for identification" --

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5241 will receive exhibit No. 1524 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1524 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "and the marked excerpts produced in evidence."

THE PREFIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpt therefrom, bearing the same document No., will receive
exhibit No. 1524A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1524A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "This Affidavit states that on 3 February, 1942, six Australian soldiers, including the witness, having been captured by the Japanese, were at MUAR, in cold blood, fired upon by a bren gun. All the men were killed or died later, but the witness escaped."

Massacre of P/W at PARIT SULONG

"Prosecution document numbered 5043, being the Affidavit of Lt. B. C. HACKNEY, is now tendered for identification" --

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5043 will be given exhibit No. 1525 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1525 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) the marked excerpts offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's marked excerpt therefrom, bearing the same document No., will be given exhibit No. 1525A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1525A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) 21 Affidavit states that on 22nd January, 1942, the witness, who was wounded, and a large number of men from other Units, were captured by the Japanese at Parit The witness describes their treatment as Sulong. follows:

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"'(1) On many occasions a Japanese indicated to a wounded man to move along with the rest, although he was incapable of any movement. Upon his failing to move, the Japanese struck him with a rifle or kicked him, or actually bayonetted him or shot him.

"1(2) A Japanese drove his bayonet into a man runded in the chest and thigh and pushed him along the road and again bayonetted him several times. The witness, although wounded, was prodded with a bayonet by a Japanese. The prisoners' watches, pens, pencils and other property except clothing were taken by the Japanese. Their clothing was removed during the search. One dead soldier was propped up by the Japanese and made an object of ridicule. About 150 nude and wounded prisoners, some with gaping, dirty and blood-clotted wounds, were hit, kicked, punched and prodded with bayonets, often in the open wounds, by the Japanese. Many were knocked unconscious by blows on the head with rifle butts.

"1(3) Eventually the prisoners were forced into a little shed or garage. The Japanese grunted and prodded them with bayonets until most of the prisoners had scrambled into the shed. Fome were knocked unconscious and others killed. The terrific vells of wounded men in pain were continuous.

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shed soon became a hell-hole full of tortured, groaning and delirious wounded soldiers. There was not enough room in the shed to put down one's foot without stepping on somebody. Water was not given to the prisoners. A large number were re-wounded by the Japanese. Others were bayonetted or shot. Requests for medical attention and water were ignored. Water was held by Japanese guards just out of reach of some of the prisoners and then thrown away. A wounded Indian soldier who had been knocked down by a Japanese and rendered unconscious was, on showing signs of regaining consciousness, bayonetted and heaved into a stream. When his blood-stained face emerged above the water, the Japanese shot him.

treated. Fome were bayonetted. Finally, they were all herded into a group and shot with rifles and machine guns. The Japanese removed the bodies, but not the witness who feigned death. Blood was running all over his face. A wound in his back left a small pool of blood on the ground. Some Japanese came and stood over him and one pushed him with his feot to make sure he was dead. Another kicked him in several places. The Japanese then brought tins of petrol and poured it over the prostrate prisoners, other than

the witness, some of whom were still conscious. They then set fire to the petrol amidst screams and yells of pain and the prisoners were burnt to death. The witness could smell the burning flesh. He lay still until the Japanese departed. Many Japanese passed him and kicked him and some pricked him with their bayonets. One actually drove a bayonet into his side between his ribs. Another took his boots from him. Later the witness was able to free himself from his bonds and met a sergeant and another soldier who smelt strongly of petrol. They had been together when the prisoners were fired upon and they fell with the first burst of firing although neither had been hit. Petrol was thrown on them but they were not burnt. The soldier who was with the sergeant died the following day. The property what services and walk "4. P/W in MALAYA, and the booth to do the other "Prosecution document numbered 5085 being the Affidavit of L. J. W. SEEKINGS is now offered for identification" -- and some retaked his with the in CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 5085 will receive exhibit No. 1526 for identification only, the oftenes was blo to troe hisself from his bonds ... (Whereupon, the document above resmelt ferred to was makked prosecution's exhibit ..

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MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "and the marked excerpts produced in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpts therefrom, bearing the same document No., will receive exhibit No. 1526A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1526A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "This Affidavit relates to the gross inadequacies of living conditions, food and medical stores in the Kuala Lumpur Camp during February - October, 1942. During the first three months, 166 men died of battle injuries and fever. No medical attention was provided by the Japanese.

"Prosecution document numbered 5084, being the Affidavit of Captain P. R. ADAMS is now offered for identification" --

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5084 will receive exhibit No. 1527 for identification only.

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MR. JUNTICE MANNIFIELD: (Continuing) "and the marked excerpts produced in evidence."

THE PREFIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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exhibit No. 1527A.

(Whereupon, the deciment above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1527A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "This Affidavit refers to the conditions in Penang Gaol where the witness remained for some two months, five weeks of which was spent in solitary confinement in the condemned cell.

"Men were beaten savagely for no apparent reason. Familiary arrangements were vile and sick men refused admission to hospital.

"Prosecution document numbered 5024 B, the Affidavit of Maj. R. H. STEVENS, is offered for identification" --

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MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "and the marked excerpts produced in evidence."

THE PREFIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Marked excerpt therefrom, bearing the same document No., will receive
exhibit No. 1528A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1528A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "This document states that in March, 1945, P/W were billeted in an overcrowded camp in JOHORE and that insanitary latrines caused a great deal of dysentery.

works for the Japanese and owing to the lack of precautions, several men were killed and injured by falls of earth. Hours of work were long and arduous since there was no proper air supply.

"The witness was told that owing to the prisoners being engaged on security work, in the event of invasion, they would be killed.

"Conditions for surgery were unfavourable at the eamp and despite the existence of a large and

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well equipped hospital, six miles away, permission to evacuate cases there, was refused.

"Prosecution document numbered 5375, the Affidavit of B. G. MAPLEBACK is offered for identification" --

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5375 will receive exhibit No. 1529 for identification only.

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "and the marked excerpts offered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpts therefrom, bearing the same document No., will receive exhibit No. 1529A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1529A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "This Affidavit states that the witness and three other men were taken prisoners near KULAI. They were roped together and driven some three miles at which point, two of the prisoners were ordered out of the truck and taken to a creek about 20 yards away. Here they were shot with a tommy gun in the presence of the witness. The bodies were left where they fell and

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the Japanese returned to the truck.

"Prosecution document numbered 5139, the sworn statement of CHEW SWAY LEOK is produced for identification" --

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5139 will receive exhibit No. 1530 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1530 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Centinging) "and the excerpts marked therein, tendered in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: /dmitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpt therefrom, bearing the same document No., will receive exhibit No. 1530A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1530A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "This statement relates that the witness and nine other Chinese were beaten with rifle butts into unconsciousness at Batu Bahat Police Station in February, 1942.

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were put in lorries and taken in batches of thirty five into the jungle. They were machine-gunned and bayonetted. The witness waited until the Japanese had gone and then escaped.

"Prosecution document numbered 5141, the sworn statement of AHEAD BIN CHETEH is now offered for identification" --

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5141 will receive exhibit No. 1531 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1531 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "and marked excerpts produced in evidence."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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therefrom, bearing the same document No., will receive exhibit No. 1531A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1531A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUNTICE MANNFIELD: (Continuing) "This document states that towards the end of 1943, while the witness was employed as a Nub- Warder in Penang

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Gaol, he saw a Japanese M.P. torture a Chinese woman of middle age.

"'Wassio opened this woman's trousers and burnt the hair around her pelvic parts with a lighted piece of paper. Then Wassio tied a rope around her waist, and, after binding it round her wrists, attached the other end to a motorcycle: Then Wassio proceeded to drive the motor-cycle at a quicker pace than it was possible to run. The woman was pulled along the ground about ten yards and then lost consciousness.'"

"The witness saw Chinese, Malay and Indian prisoners tortured and stated that three Chinese died after undergoing water torture.

"Prosecution document numbered 5142, the sworn statement of Miss YONG LEN MOI, is produced for identification" --

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5142 will receive exhibit No. 1532 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1532 for identification only.)

MR. JUNTICE MANNIELD: (Continuing) "and the marked excerpts thereof, offered in evidence."

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THE PREFIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 15324 and received in evidence.)

MR. JUNTICE MANAFIELD: (Continuing) "This document refers to the torture of the witness's grandmother who was suspended from the ceiling for an hour while heavy weights were thrown at her legs and feet. The witness further states that her grandmother was dragged along behind a motor cycle until unconscious, as described in the evidence of the preceding witness AHMAD.

"The witness herself was beaten and burned in Penang Gaol where her grandmother lated died as a result of her maltreatment.

"Prosecution document numbered 5143, the sworn statement of W. T. DAVIES and the statement of Mrs. A. C. KATHIGASU, exhibited thereto, is now tendered for identification" --

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5143 will receive exhibit No. 1533 for identification only. (Whereupon, the document before referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1533 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "and the excerpts marked offered in evidence."

THE PREFIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The excerpts therefrom,
bearing the same document number, will receive exhibit No. 1533A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1533A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Continuing) "This document relates that the witness was taken to IPOH Police Station in August, 1943, where she was tortured and beaten in many ways, and accused of being a spy.

"At Kempeitai HQ her child was suspended from a tree with a fire blazing underneath her, whilst the witness herself was tied to a post and beaten with a stick. The child was eventually released.

"At Batu Gajah gaol the witness was imprisoned for life, after having been sentenced to death.

Food was inadequate, the cells were verminous and filthy. There were no bed coverings and no facilities

for bathing. The witness finally lost the use of her legs but has since recovered."

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MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: We tender prosecution document No. 5441, being the synopses "BURMA-SIAM."

THE PLESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5441 will receive exhibit No. 1534.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was rarked prosecution's exhibit No. 1534 and received in evidence.)
MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: (Reading): "A.

CIVILIANS IN BURMA.

a) Prosecution Document numbered 5276, the affidavit of T. B. AUCHTERLONIE, is now produced for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5276 will receive exhibit No. 1535 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1535 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE MARSFIELD: And the marked excerpts offered in evidence.

THE FRACIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the excerpts therefrom beering the same document number will receive

exhibit No. 1535-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1535-A and received in evidence.)

to the torture of a Burmase at Victoria Point Camp.
The man was confined for two weeks ir what was known as the Dog Care, a wooden structure three feet by five feet and then beaten, suspended by the hands from a rafter and beaten in front of some of the cfficers of the Camp. The man's ankles were then tied up behind his body with a rope around his neck and a fire lit beneath his feet. Later he was cut down and driver away with an armed guard and some digging tools. The truck returned without the Burmese.

Prosecution document numbered 5260, the sworn statement of W. O. II A.H.H.CULLEN is now tendered for identification

No. 5260 will receive exhibit No. 1536 for identification only.

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MR. JUSTICE MANSFILLD: And the excerpts

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THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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exhibit No. 1536-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1536-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE LANSFIELD: This statement relates to the murder of a Burmese in Sentember, 1943. Japanese guards beat the man with a six-foot bamboo pole and forced a passing Burmese civilian to thrash his countryman with this instrument. When the victim was raw and bleeding, the guards decided to shoot him. This was done and two P.O.W belonging to the witness' detachment were ordered to bury the body.

Prosecution document numbered 5120, the solemn declaration of Mg. SAN MGWE is produced for identification.

No. 5120 will receive exhibit No. 1537 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1537 for identification.)

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states that in June, 1945, Kempeitai personnel arrested the witness! uncle and removed money and household goods from their home. The witness was told by a fellow prisoner that his uncle was tortured; his uncle has never returned home since the arrest.

Frosecution document numbered 5138, being the affidavit of Lieutenant Colonel E. L. St. J. COUCH exhibiting three statements of OHN MYAING, MA SAN THEEN and AH YI respectively, is produced for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No 5138 will receive exhibit No. 1538 for identification only.

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MR. JUSTICE MANSPIELD: And the marked excerpts now tendered in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The excerpts therefrom,
bearing the same document number, will receive
exhibit No. 1538-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 1538-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: This statement relates to the massacre by Japanese of women and children civilian inhabitants of the village of EBIANG. They were pushed into a number of houses and fired on by machine guns, and the houses set on fire. Two girls, although wounded, escaped. One of them, OHN MYAING states:

We were pushed inside and after about two hours we were fired on by machine guns. The firing continued until all the crying and moaning had ceased. I was wounded in my right hip, under my left arm and on my right hand. If anyone cried out, the firing started up again. When everything had been quiet for some time, smoke began filling the room and one side of the house was on fire. I tore up some floor boards and

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escaped."

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Prosecution document numbered 5337, being the statement of Captain T. C. B. BULDEKIN, is now offered for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 5337 will receive exhibit No. 1539 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1539 for identification.)

excerpts produced in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpts
therefrom, bearing the same document number, will
receive exhibit No. 1539-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1539-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MAN SFIELD: This document in paragraph II thereof relates the information obtained in an official investigation of the events known as the EBIANG Massacre, confirming the evidence of the document last produced, No. 5138.

Prosecution document numbered 5137, being the

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23 24 affidavit of Lieutenant Colonel E. L. St. J. Couch, exhibiting charge sheet and Abstract of Evidence in relation to the KALAGON Massacre, is now produced for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5137 will receive exhibit No. 1540 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1540 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE MARSFIELD: And the marked excerpts offered in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terrs.

CLERK OF THE COUNT: And the marked excerpts
therefrom, bearing the same document number, will
receive exhibit No. 1540-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1540-A and received in evidence.

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: Prosecution document numbered 5336, being the report of Lieutenant
Colonel A. M. Sturrock, President No 4 War Crimes
Court, Rangoon, in reference, inter alia, to the
KALAGON Massacre, is now offered for identification.
CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5336 will receive exhibit No. 1541 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
To. 1541 for identification.)

ER. JUSTICE WAPSFIELD: And the marked excerpts produced in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CIERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpts

therefrom, bearing the same document number, will

receive exhibit No. 1541-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1541-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: These documents describe the proceedings before the Court and summarize the evidence given. The villagers of KALAGON were interrogated by the Kempeitai, beaten and tortured. The massacre was carried out by taking the villagers in groups of about twenty-five to the nearby wells where they were bayonetted and thrown down the wells.

Witness for the Defence: Colonel TSUKUDA stated
that there was no trial and that since they were satisfied that the villagers had been acting in a manner
lostile to the Occupying Power, the Japanese were

justified in the circumstances, in carrying out a mass execution.

The first Accused, the Commanding Officer of
the Unit carrying out the massacre, stated that he
thought the women and children were acting against
the Japanese Army. When asked how he justified the
killing of infant children, he said there was no other
alternative. He further said:

"Within the Orders I received, the killing of the children was also included. If I spared the children, they would be orphans and as such they could not have a living. In order to save time and carry out my duties, I could not help killing them."

The evidence of the Headman of the village who escaped was that of the 195 women, 175 men and 260 children collected by the Japanese, only a very few escaped death.

Prosecution document numbered 5337, already in evidence, in paragraph III thereof makes reference to this massacre.

Prosecution document numbered 5336, of Lieutenant Colonel A. M. STUR OCK, already in evidence, also contains sum aries of the proceedings of five other trials of Japanese for alleged war crimes. In four of these cases convictions were registered.

Prosecution document numbered 5344, the signed statement of MAUNG BU GYI, is row offered for identification.

No. 5344 will receive exhibit No. 1542 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1542 for identification.

IR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: And the marked excerpts tendered in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpts

therefrom, bearing the same document number, will
receive exhibit No. 1542-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1542-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: This document describes the beating of a woman with a rifle by Japanese, at KYONLANA Village. She was stripped naked, as was her nephew, and both were tied to a railway carriage in the sun. Next day the witness saw bloodstains by the river bank and, on enquiry, was told by an Indian, also arrested with the woman, that she and the boy

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had been decapitated. The bodies were thrown into the river by the Indian.

Prosecution document numbered 5346, the signed statement of MAUNG TUN SHWE, is now produced for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5346 will receive exhibit No. 1543 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1543 for identification.)

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MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: And the excerpts marked therein offered in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The excerpts therefrom,
bearing the same document number, will receive
exhibit No. 1543-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1543-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: This document states that the witness, a Police Constable, accompanied a Kempeitai Officer to a village where an old man and another native were arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the death of a Japanese soldier. These

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men were tortured with water and then their feet
were burned. Several houses were burned down. They
were then taken to Inbin where they were decapitated.
Their bodies, when they had fallen into the trench,
were bayonetted by Japanese soldiers.

At Myanaung two other men were decapitated.

Prosecution document numbered 5347, the signed statement of MAUNG KIN Mg. is now produced for identification.

CLERK CF TPE CCURT: Prosecution's document No. 5347 will receive exhibit No. 1544 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1544 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: And the marked excerpts offered in evidence.

THE PLESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpts

therefrom, bearing the same document number, will
receive exhibit No. 1544-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit

No. 1544-A and received in evidence.)

NR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: This document states

that the witness acted as an Interpreter for a Japanese officer ir May, 1945, at Ongun, when seven Burmans were being questioned. They were taken to Ongun cemetery and there beheaded. The witness states:

"Although I had my hands over my ears, I could hear the blows of the sword and the Japs saying, 'Oh, that one isn't dead yet, bayonet him'! I heard cries of 'Oh God!' coming from the trench."

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On the next day, two white men, apparently Airmen, who had witnessed the execution of the Burmans, were themselves murdered in the same way.

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"I have heard from coolies working for the Japanese, of other executions. Sometimes there were executions of batches of six people, sometimes of batches of un to 30 people."

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Prosecution document numbered 5342, the signed statement of Mg. PAN is produced for identification.

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CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5342 will receive exhibit No. 1545 for identification only.

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MR. JUSTICE MANSFIFLD: And the marked excerpts therein offered in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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therefrom bearing the same document number will
receive exhibit No. 1545-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No 1545-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE LANSFIELD: This document relates the torture of Burmese nationals by the Kempeitai at Sharywa, the witness having been forcibly removed there, after torture, in order to identify suspected men. The witness saw his father, brother and other men shot by the Japanese. The Headman's house was set on fire.

Prosecution document numbered 5340, the eigned statement of SAW BO GYI GYAW is offered for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No 5340 will receive exhibit No. 1546 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1546 for identification)

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MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: And the marked excerpts therein tendered in evidence.

THE PRISIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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that seven persons were executed in Thosewaddy by the Kempeitai. The execution was observed by the witness from a window overlooking the compound within which the people were shot.

Prosecution document numbered 5339, the sworn statement of R. A. NICOL, is now tendered for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document
No 5339 will receive exhibit No. 1547 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1547 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE HANSFIELD: And the excerpts marked are offered in evidence.

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THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpts
therefrom, bearing the same document number, will
receive exhibit No. 1547-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1547-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: This statement describes how the witness was taken to Moksokwin forest in early 1945 as an interpreter. He saw four Allied Airmen guarded by a party of Japanese soldiers. After interrogation, the men were taken into the forest and half an hour later, the Japanese returned without the men, but carrying their clothes, four pairs of shoes, a pick-axe and a shovel.

Prosecution document numbered 5348-A, being the sworn statement of Mg. THAN Mg. is now produced for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document numbered 5348-A will receive exhibit No. 1548 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1548 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: And the marked

excerpts therein offered in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpts
therefrom, bearing the same document number, will
receive exhibit No. 1548-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1548-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: The document states that in August, 1944, at Sinikan the witness saw a Burmese tied to a tree, ordered to say his prayers and murdered by a Japanese, who hacked him all over the body with a sword. This was the punishment for refusing to disclose any knowledge of British troops.

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Prosecution document No. 5348B, being the sworn statement of Mg. THAN MAUNG, is now offered for identification and the marked excerpts therefrom are produced in evidence.

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No. 5348B will receive exhibit No. 1549 for identification only and the marked excerpts therefron bearing the same document number will receive prosecution's exhibit No. 1549-A.

(Whereupon, prosecution document
No. 5348B was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1549 and the excerpts therefrom were marked
prosecution's exhibit No. 1549-A).

No. 5354, being the unsworn statement of Sergeant Major
YOSHIKAWA, Sadaichiro, is now offered for identification.
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No. 5354 will be given exhibit No. 1550, for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1550 for identification.)

AR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: And the marked excerpts are offered in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms,

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpts
therefrom bearing the same document number will received exhibit No. 1550-A.

(Thereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution exhibit
No. 1550-A and received in evidence.

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: These documents relate to the murder of six Kachins near BUMRAI in June 1944 because they were suspected of helping Allied troops in the neighborhood. The six men were bayonetted to death by the Japanese after being interrogated. The latter document of Sergeant Major YOSHIKAWA is an admission of this incident.

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Prosecution document No. 5359, the sworn state ment of ROLAND JOSEPH, is now tendered for identification.

No. 5359 will receive exhibit No. 1551 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1551 for identification.

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: And the marked ex-

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No. 1551-A and received in evidence.)

that the witness saw Kempeitai personnel set fire to the foot of an Indian, the foot having had kerosene oil poured over it. The witness further states that he saw a woman tied to a post and beaten, her longyi removed and beaten again. She was dragged along the road by a rope from her neck until unconscious.

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A Japanese poured a pitcher full of boiling water into an Indian's mouth. The man was pushed into a water-filled trench and submerged several times until unconscious. He was then removed and put into wooden fetters.

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: Prosecution document numbered 5356, the solemn declaration of HARRY JOSEPH, is produced for identification.

CLFRK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5356 will receive exhibit No. 1552 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1552 for identification.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: And the excerpts marked therein offered in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: The marked excerpts
therefrom, bearing the same document number, will
receive exhibit No. 1552-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1552-A and received in evidence.)

MR. JUSTICE MANSWIELD: This document states that in April, 1945, the Kempeitai detachment at Kyaikto stayed in the witness! house until June. During this time, the witness observed the following tortures carried out on their prisoners:

"(1) Beat the prisoners with big solid bamboo sticks (approximate length 4'/5' -- diameter 3")

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"Beat the prisoners until they confessed (i.e. forced confession).

"(2) During beating and interrogation, prisoners were made to squat with hands and feet tied with ropes.

"(3) The hands of the prisoners were tied with ropes. Prisoners were ther strung up to the roof of the house by their hands so that their feet did not touch the ground. Prisoners were left like this for some time.

"(4) During interrogation, the prisoner's hards and legs were splashed with large quantity of boiling water.

"(5) The prisoner was blindfolded, then a large quantity of water slowly noured into his mouth and nostrils, so that the prisoner suffocated."

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No. 5361, the sworn statement of SIMA BAH'DUR, is now tendered for identification.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document
No. 5361 will receive exhibit No. 1553 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1553 for identification.)

IR. JUSTICE MARSFIELD: And the excerpt therein is offered in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: And the marked excerpts
therein bearing the same document number will receive
exhibit No. 1553-A.

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that in January 1945 the witness and nearly a thousand Indians were arrested. They were detained in a church for a day without food and drink and then taken to Haipaw where six hundred and twenty one men were packed into a room about 25 feet square. There was no room to lie down and the men were forced to sit with their

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knees tucked under them, shoulder to shoulder. The witness says, "I was detailed in this room for thirty eight days, never being allowed to go out. Our food consisted of a small ball of rice and a pinch of salt daily, with a very small quantity of water. We were not allowed to leave the room to perform our natural funtions, this being done in the room through a small hole that had been made in the floor. After a few days the conditions in this room became practically unbearable, the filth and stench becoming undescribable.

"During my stay in this'HELL HOLE", approximately two hundred men died from verious diseases, and
it was a common practice to leave the dead in the room
for a few hours, after which they would be taken out
by the Japanese and thrown into a trench or bombcrater, where they were left exposed to the air."

taken to Monghai and into the jungle and ' "we were forced to kneel down, after our hands had been tied behind our backs. One of the Japanese, which one I do not know, pulled my coat clear of my neck and I saw that the other five were being dealt with in the same manner. At this time, standing near us was one officer and three soldiers, whilst at a distance I could see about twenty five others. The officer took out his

sword and I saw him hand it to one of the soldiers and
point to me. The Japanese soldiers approached me from
hehind and suddenly I felt a sharp pain in my neck, also
I felt the blood running over my face. After that I
lost consciousness and I cannot say what happened. The
following morning, just as the sun was rising I came
to my senses and found that I was soaked in blood. I
looked around and found that my five comrads were all
dead with their heads partly severed from their bodies."

A Doctor's certificate attached to the document confirms the nature of the wound and describes the man's consequent disability.

Prosecution document numbered 5364, the sworn statement of BEL BAHADUR RAI, is now produced for identification and the marked excerpts therein offered in evidence.

No. 5364 will be given exhibit No. 1554 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was given exhibit No. 1544 for identi-

IR. JUSTICE MANSFIELD: And the marked excerpts therein are offered in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1544-A and received in evidence.)

that in June 1944 the witness, who was acting as an interpreter for the Kempeitai in Hopin, saw a Corporal and two soldiers of the British Army who had been captured. The Corporal was wounded in his throat so that he was unable to eat or drink. He was given no medical aid and died in two days. The remaining soldiers and another who had just been captured were tied together and taken to a nearby bomb crater where they were shot by a Japanese Sergeant Major.

THE PRESIDENT: We will adjourn now until half past nine to-morrow morning.

(Whereupon, at 1600, an adjournment was taken until Tuesday, December 17, 1946, at 0930.)